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# On-Track Railroad Safety

## POCKET GUIDE



## Key Points

- Never foul the track except when necessary for the performance of duty.
- Always have a Job Briefing before fouling any track.
- Know who the Roadway Worker in Charge (RWIC) is.
- If something is unclear, ask before doing it.

# On-Track Safety and Job Briefing Checklist

- Who is the Roadway Worker in Charge (RWIC) of my On-Track Safety?
- What type of On-Track Safety protection is being provided?
- What are the track limits of my On-Track Safety?
- What is the time limit of my On-Track Safety?
- Where is the designated place of safety?

- Will other equipment, machines, or personnel be involved?
- Do I need protection on adjacent tracks?
- What Watchman/ Lookout warning signals will be used?
- Where can I find a copy of the railroad's On-Track Safety rules?
- Do I understand all aspects of my On-Track Safety? (If not, ask RWIC before fouling the track.)



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