

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
BUREAU OF RAIL & TRANSIT
RAIL SAFETY SECTION
NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

INCIDENTS INVOLVING RAILROADS (RSA 367:56)

NOTIFICATION BY THE RAILROAD IS REQUIRED FOR:

1. All incidents involving a fatality.
2. All grade crossing accidents.
3. All grade crossing signal system activation failures as defined in 49 CFR Part 234.5.
4. All incidents involving the leakage or spillage of material as a result of railroad operations or incidents.
5. All derailments involving cars containing commodities required to be placarded by 49 CFR Part 172
6. Derailments involving:
 - More than one (1) car, (include a power unit as a car), or
 - The car is not in the normal upright operating position, or
 - The car has traveled more than 200 feet derailed, or
 - The car has traveled through a grade crossing derailed.
7. Any incident involving the movement of on track equipment that results in personal injury to a non-railroad employee.

THE NOTIFICATION NUMBERS ARE:

Monday - Friday 0730 - 1600 hours --- (603) 271-2448 (Inspector's desk)
(603) 271-2468 (Bureau phone)
Nights, weekends and holidays --- (603) 961-0152 (Inspector's home)
(603) 344-4644 (Inspector's cell)
(603) 271-3636*
or 1 (800) 852-3411*

* N.H. State Police Dispatch who will relay the information.

THE INFORMATION NEEDED WILL BE:

1. Name of the railroad
2. Name of the caller and call back number
3. Location of the incident, town, street, station, etc.
4. Any fatalities or personal injuries
5. Any hazardous materials involved

INCIDENTS THAT INVOLVE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS, PLEASE NOTIFY THE LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENT. YOU ARE ALSO REQUIRED TO NOTIFY THE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS UNIT AT 1-800-346-4009 AND THE N.H. STATE POLICE DISPATCH AT 603-271-3636.