

ROGS IMPLEMENTATION BRIEFING 2006

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- ROGS replaces the Railways (Safety Critical Work) Regs 1994. The main changes are:
 - Some additional tasks are now defined as safety critical;
 - Main duty on ‘controller of safety critical work’ rather than employer;
 - Hours of work requirements replaced by need to manage fatigue;
 - No requirement to carry ID;
 - Duty of co-operation.

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- Safety critical tasks - definition extended to include:
 - Maintenance, and installation of components, in relation to a vehicle used on a transport system;
 - Practical training, or supervision of training, in safety critical tasks.

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- Controller of safety critical work
 - Responsibility is with the organisation that actually controls the work;
 - Controllers need to be sure that those under their control are competent, fit and not too fatigued etc. and that assessment records are available
 - This will require controllers to work with others to ensure all duties are complied with (see cooperation requirements in ROGS reg 26)

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- Fatigue
 - Controllers are required to make sure safety critical workers under their control, management or supervision are not going to be so fatigued as to significantly affect his or others H&S. No longer just hours of work.

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- Duty of co-operation
 - Specific duty on controllers of safety critical work to co-operate to ensure they can all comply with safety critical work duties under ROGS;
 - Will involve sharing information e.g. on workers' competence and fitness assessments

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- Guidance available on ORR web site at <http://www.rail-reg.gov.uk/server/show/nav.1106>:
 - <http://www.rail-reg.gov.uk/upload/pdf/283.pdf> (general ROGS guidance)
 - <http://www.rail-reg.gov.uk/upload/pdf/293.pdf> (fatigue guidance)
 - Developing and maintaining staff competence (RSPG part 3A)
 - Other guidance in preparation on definition of safety critical tasks.