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Explanation of change

When opening a signal box that has no block switch, the current regulations require the bells and block indicators to be tested prior to signalling a train. It is no longer considered necessary to do this if a train is about to be signalled as the process of signalling the train will clearly indicate if the equipment is working correctly or not.

(Regulation 10.2.4 and 10.2.5 shown on page 104 have not been amended)

Regulations 10.2.1, 10.2.2 and 10.2.3 are amended to read as follows:

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10.2.1

To open the signal box, you must send **opening of signal box** to signal box A and signal box C.

signaller
box B

10.2.2

When you have opened the signal box, unless a train has been signalled or is immediately due to be signalled, you must test the bells and block indicators for the line concerned.

10.2.3

When required to test the bells and block indicators, you must send **testing equipment** and, when acknowledged, you must move the block indicator to each position in the correct sequence. The signaller in the next signal box will acknowledge each movement with **one beat**.