

RAIL-RELATED NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL STATUTES

Criminal Offenses

- ▶ 14-56 Breaking or entering into or breaking out of railcars. (**Class I felony**)
- ▶ 14-278 Willful injury to property of railroads. (**Class I felony**)
- ▶ 14-279 Unlawful injury to property of railroads. (**Class 2 misdemeanor**)
- ▶ 14-280 Shooting or throwing at trains or passengers. (**Class I felony**)
- ▶ 14-280.1 Trespassing on railroad right-of-way. (**Class 3 misdemeanor**)
- ▶ 14-281 Operating trains and streetcars while intoxicated. (**Class 2 misdemeanor**)
- ▶ 14-460 Riding on train unlawfully. (**Class 3 misdemeanor**)
- ▶ 14-461 Unauthorized manufacture or sale of switch lock keys. (**Class 1 misdemeanor**)

Traffic Offenses

- ▶ 20-142.1 Obedience to railroad signal. (**Infraction**)
- ▶ 20-142.2 Vehicles stop at certain grade crossing. (**Infraction**)
- ▶ 20-142.3 Certain vehicles must stop at railroad grade crossing. (**Infraction**)
- ▶ 20-142.4 Moving heavy equipment at railroad grade crossing. (**Infraction**)
- ▶ 20-142.5 Stop when traffic obstructed. (**Infraction**)
- ▶ 20-147 Keep to the right in crossing intersections or railroads. (**Infraction**)
- ▶ 20-150(c) Driver shall not pass another vehicle at grade crossing. (**Infraction**)

NCDOT **Be Rail Safe** FIRST RESPONDER TRAINING



NCDOT BeRailSafe offers free training throughout North Carolina to Fire, EMS, Rescue and Police Departments.

Training Topics Include:

- ▶ Personal safety hazards for all first responders.
- ▶ Pre-planning for rail occurrences
- ▶ Evacuation procedures
- ▶ Incident command and rail communication
- ▶ Crash investigation and reporting best practices

BeRailSafe's mission is to mitigate inherent dangers to first responders, optimize patient care and create an environment that minimizes risks for all parties involved in railway incidents while completing efficient and accurate investigations in a safe environment.

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NCDOT **Be Rail Safe** RAILROAD INCIDENT QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

Locate Railroad Emergency Contact Number First!

**TO REPORT STALLED VEHICLE ON
TRACKS OR OTHER EMERGENCY,
CALL 1-800-XXX-XXX
AND REFER TO CROSSING #123456X
ON (NAME OF STREET)**



Emergency Numbers
911
CSX (800) 232-0144
Norfolk Southern (800) 946-4744

RAIL SCENE SAFETY TIPS

1. Insure all train movement is stopped on all tracks in the vicinity of the incident.

USE EXTREME CAUTION WHEN APPROACHING

2. Locate and call railroad emergency number located at the grade crossing or emergency communications to stop all train movement.
3. Identify grade crossing by locating the crossing identification number (six digits and a letter) located on a signal post or crossing gate structure. Locate crossing identification number, conductor and identify who owns the tracks.
4. Implement flagging crew approximately two miles in each direction of the incident until stopped train movement has been confirmed.
5. Locate train conductor for your safety and investigative needs.

DO NOT PLACE YOURSELF OVER, UNDER OR BETWEEN ANY RAILROAD EQUIPMENT

- ▶ Electrical and high pressure air hazards exist between all rail cars.
- ▶ Hazardous Material information can be obtained from the Conductor, consist or ERG guide.
- FUEL SHUT OFF FOR LOCOMOTIVE ENGINE**
- ▶ The locomotive will remain energized and the potential for loss of train brakes can occur.

CONSULT CONDUCTOR

Locomotive Inspection and Repair Record									
See reverse for Paperwork Reduction Act Statement OMB No.2130-0004									
Year	1. Operated by:	R.R. Code:	2. Owned by:	R.R. Code:	3. Model No.	4. Loco No.	5. ReNUMBERED, Prev. No.	6. Year Built	7. Owner if not renumbered
6. Proprietary:	7. Horsepower	8. Type of Service:	Passenger	9. Axle Capacity	10. Weight Capacity	11. Max. Speed	12. Max. Pressure	13. Max. Travel	14. Other
Type of Air Brake:	Air Disc	15. Int. Interv.	16. Out. Interv.	17. Int. Periodic	18. Out. Periodic	19. a. Date:	20. b. Date:	21. c. Date:	22. d. Date:
AKR&C (4) / 93 day max interval	15. Int. Interv.	16. Out. Interv.	17. Int. Periodic	18. Out. Periodic	19. a. Date:	20. b. Date:	21. c. Date:	22. d. Date:	23. e. Date:
PERIODIC INSPECTIONS									
* 15. Item Code: 1. Brakes 2. Running Gear 3. Cab Equip. 4. Mech Equip. 5. Elect Equip. 6. Steam Gen. 7. Safety Appl.									
TESTS 18. H&I/Ton Pressured Drilled 19. Waiver Part 229 20. Waiver - Other									
Type	21. Person Conducting	22. Test Date & Place	23. Certified by	24. Previous Test Date & Place					
Event Recorder 229 23(d) or 229 27(c)	No. of days: 368								

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CRASH INVESTIGATION (DMV-349) "TIPS"

NEVER COMPROMISE YOUR SAFETY FOR AN INVESTIGATION

1. Identify all units involved in the collision. Photograph and document physical evidence. Record the operations of the grade crossing lights, signals and bells.
2. The locomotive 'Vehicle Year' is located on the "Blue Card" (FRA FORM F6180-49A) or ask the conductor.
3. Obtain proper documentation from the conductor, engineer, driver, witnesses or other parties.
NOTE: The conductor is in charge of the train and is entered in the "driver" section of the DMV-349.
Enter the conductor's terminal or work address in the crash report. DO NOT enter the conductor's home address.
4. A conductor is not required to have a driver's license. DO NOT enter the conductor's motor vehicle driver's license number on the crash report.
5. Railway vehicles are listed on the crash report as UNIT TYPE Other "RR Train" and counted in the No. of Units Involved entry on the crash report.
6. Locate the railway grade crossing number (six digits and a letter). It is located on a railroad signal post or on the crossing gate structure. If the crossing number is missing, enter the name of the railroad company owning the tracks.
7. Passengers are considered cargo and should not be listed on the DMV-349 unless an injury or a fatality occurs.
8. Conduct a thorough investigation and submit your crash reports based on your department's procedures.
9. Use common sense and good judgment. Timely, at-scene investigations are important to community and rail traffic safety. The tracks are shared by other rail carriers for commerce and travel.