

Santa Cruz Northern RR.

Overview of Operating Procedures

- Trains on the SCN operate on the main track under **timetable & train order** authority.
- Official clocks are located at the Dispatchers office, Santa Cruz (upper level staging) and Mac St. Yard / West San Jose.
- **Eastward trains are superior** to westward trains of the same class; eastward extra trains are superior to westward extra trains.
- All trains operating on the main track must receive a **Clearance, Form A**, before leaving their initial station.
- **Yard limit** rules are in effect at: San Jose, E. Rica and Fallon. Yard limit signs are in place to indicate the limits of the territory.
- All trains that stop on the main track outside yard limits are required to provide **flag protection** per Rule 99.
- When required, flag protection may be provided by a flagman or by placing a fusee (red stick pin) between the rails at least 15 car lengths away.
- **Train Register Locations:** WP Jct, Mac St. Yard & Fallon. All trains must register at these locations.
- **Reporting arrivals / departures:** Station agent / operators at E.Rica / Doughertys and Fallon and the Yardmaster at Mac St. will "OS" trains at those locations.
- **Train Order Signal locations:** WP Jct., E. Rica, Doughertys and Fallon
- **Train Order Indications:** Green = proceed Red = obtain clearance before proceeding
- **Meets:** when clearing opposing trains, inferior trains must be in the clear 10 minutes before the superior train is due
- **Passes:** when clearing trains in the same direction, inferior trains must be in the clear at the time the superior train is due to leave the last station to the rear.
- A train following another train from a station must wait 10 minutes before departing.