

# Railroad Safety Inspection Checklist

Railroad / Operation Name

Date of Inspection

Inspector Name

## INSTRUCTIONS:

This checklist is designed to assess the safety and compliance of railroad operations. Carefully review each item and mark the corresponding checkbox to indicate compliance or note any observations and areas for improvement. Use the "Notes/Observations" section to provide additional details, necessary corrective actions, and any required follow-up.

## TRACK AND RIGHT-OF-WAY INSPECTION

Track Conditions: Inspect track conditions for any defects or irregularities.  Yes  No  NA

Rail Joints: Check for secure and properly maintained rail joints.  Yes  No  NA

Ballast Condition: Verify that ballast is in good condition and adequately supports the track.  Yes  No  NA

Observations / Notes /  
Corrective actions, if any:

## SWITCHES AND TURNOUTS

Switch Points: Check switch points for proper alignment and secure fastening.  Yes  No  NA

Switch Operation: Test switch operation to ensure proper functioning.  Yes  No  NA

Turnout Maintenance: Verify that turnouts are well-maintained and free from obstructions.  Yes  No  NA

Observations / Notes /  
Corrective actions, if any:

## SIGNALS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Signal Visibility: Ensure that signals are easily visible to train operators.  Yes  No  NA

Signal Functionality: Test signal functionality and response to control inputs.  Yes  No  NA

Communication Systems: Check communication systems (e.g., radio, telephones) for proper operation.  Yes  No  NA

Observations / Notes /  
Corrective actions, if any:

## ROLLING STOCK INSPECTION

- Locomotives: Inspect locomotives for mechanical issues and compliance with safety standards.  Yes  No  NA
- Freight Cars: Check freight cars for damage, proper loading, and securement.  Yes  No  NA
- Passenger Cars (if applicable): Verify passenger cars are in good condition and meet safety requirements.  Yes  No  NA

Observations / Notes /  
Corrective actions, if any:

## GRADE CROSSINGS

- Crossing Signals: Ensure that crossing signals are operational and clearly visible to motorists.  Yes  No  NA
- Crossing Gates and Lights: Check that crossing gates and lights are working correctly.  Yes  No  NA
- Crossing Surface: Verify that crossing surfaces are smooth and free from hazards.  Yes  No  NA

Observations / Notes /  
Corrective actions, if any:

## SAFETY EQUIPMENT

- Safety Devices: Check that safety equipment (e.g., first aid kits, fire extinguishers) is present and accessible.  Yes  No  NA
- Protective Gear: Verify that employees have access to and use appropriate personal protective equipment.  Yes  No  NA
- Emergency Equipment: Ensure that emergency equipment (e.g., spill containment kits) is available when needed.  Yes  No  NA

Observations / Notes /  
Corrective actions, if any:

## EMPLOYEE TRAINING AND QUALIFICATIONS

- Employee Training Records: Review training records to ensure employees are properly trained.  Yes  No  NA
- Certification: Verify that qualified personnel conduct maintenance and repairs.  Yes  No  NA
- Safety Rules: Ensure employees are familiar with and follow safety rules and protocols.  Yes  No  NA

Observations / Notes /  
Corrective actions, if any:

## COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

Regulatory Compliance: Confirm that the railroad operation complies with all relevant safety regulations.  Yes  No  NA

Track Speed Limits: Verify that trains are operated within approved track speed limits.  Yes  No  NA

Operating Rules: Check that the operation follows approved operating rules and procedures.  Yes  No  NA

Observations / Notes /  
Corrective actions, if any:

## ADDITIONAL NOTES/OBSERVATIONS

[Insert any additional notes or Railroad Safety checklist observations made during the inspection]

## STATEMENT OF INSPECTION

I hereby certify that I have conducted the above Railroad Safety Inspection checklist and that the railroad operation has been assessed for safety and compliance. Any identified issues have been documented, and necessary corrective actions have been recommended.

Inspector's Name :

Signature :

Date :

## APPROVED BY

Name :

Signature :

Date :