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Stabling of Stock

The General Appendix (GA) – Page 34, gives instructions for the parking of vehicles. These include a requirement that the hand brake nearest to the west end of the carriages should be applied whenever carriages have been stabled. Operating this rule strictly has resulted in a vehicle actually at, or near, the east end of the train having its brake firmly applied. This could have caused a major problem if a fire had broken out inside the carriage shed and the stock needed pulling clear.

To avoid this, the instruction has been revised and section 3.7.4 Parking of Vehicles, paragraph (c) (1) of the GA should be amended by deleting the words “nearest to” and substituting “on the vehicle at”, so that this section now reads:

- (c) Whenever carriages have been stabled, the Guard or shunter must:-
 - (1) apply the hand brake (if any) on the vehicle at the west end of the carriages and open the train pipe cock at the west end of the carriages.

Paragraph (c) (2) and the rest of section 3.7.4 are not amended and remain in force.

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