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SCHEDULE 1 — Types of accidents and incidents other than any occurring within the Channel Tunnel System which must be notified to the Rail Accident Investigation Branch immediately and by the quickest means available

- 1. An accident resulting in the death of a person or...
- 2. An accident on a level crossing involving rolling stock, resulting...
- 3. A collision between rolling stock on a running line which...
- 4. A derailment of rolling stock on a running line that...
- 5. A collision of rolling stock with an arrestor mechanism or...
- 6. An accident involving the release or combustion of dangerous goods...
- 7. An accident or incident that is likely to result in...
- 8. An accident that causes extensive damage to rolling stock, the...
- 9. An accident or incident which under slightly different conditions might...

SCHEDULE 2 — Types of accidents and incidents other than any occurring within the Channel Tunnel System which must be notified to the Rail Accident Investigation Branch as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event within three working days of occurrence

- 1. A collision of rolling stock with an object on or...
- 2. An accident resulting in the serious injury of one person...
- 3. An obstruction of, or damage to, track, caused by a...
- 4. Any unintended division of a train or a tramcar.
- 5. The failure of rolling stock on the track caused by—...
- 6. The failure of a cable or the fastening thereof of...

SCHEDULE 3 — Types of accidents and incidents other than any occurring within the Channel Tunnel System which must be notified to the Rail Accident Investigation Branch no later than ten days after the end of the month in which the accident or incident occurred

- 1. The failure of equipment at a level crossing which reduces...
- 2. The failure of a rail, including a rack rail, on...
- 3. The failure of a structure on railway property, including a...
- 4. A failure in the signalling system which reduces the level...
- 5. Rolling stock passing a railway signal displaying a stop aspect,...
- 6. A collision between a tramcar and a road vehicle on...

SCHEDULE 4 — Types of accidents and incidents occurring within the Channel Tunnel System that must be notified to the Rail Accident Investigation Branch immediately and by the quickest means available

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Railways (Accident Investigation and Reporting) Regulations 2005. (See end of Document for details)

- 1. An accident resulting in death or serious injury to a...
- 2. A derailment of rolling stock which causes damage to or...
- 3. A collision that occurs on any line other than a...
- 4. An accident that causes extensive damage to rolling stock, the...
- 5. A collision on a level crossing involving a vehicle or...
- 6. An accident involving the release or combustion of dangerous goods...
- 7. Fire necessitating evacuation of passengers from one part of a...
- 8. An accident or incident leading to the evacuation of passengers...
- 9. Unauthorised passing of a closed marker or signal.
- 10. Runaway train on a line.
- 11. An accident or incident which, under slightly different conditions might...
  - SCHEDULE 5 Types of accidents and incidents occurring within the Channel
    Tunnel System that must be notified to the Rail Accident
    Investigation Branch as soon as practicable and in any event within
    three working days of occurrence
- 1. A fire, arcing or fusing which adversely affects the functioning...
- 2. A fire that results in the suspension of railway services...
- 3. Any unintended division of a train, or breakage of coupling....
- 4. The failure of rolling stock on the track caused by—...
- 5. A broken rail, major failure of track equipment (weld, fastenings,...
- 6. Any significant safety related breakdown or any serious destruction or...
- 7. Any failure in the signalling system, or any other safety...
- 8. Submersion of track that necessitates its closure.
- 9. Unscheduled stopping of a train in a tunnel for more...
- 10. Damage to track caused by rolling stock or a dragging...
- 11. Spillage of fuel from a road vehicle being carried on...
- 12. A breach of the requirements for the transport of dangerous...
- 13. Any incident during which installations, equipment or rolling stock come...

### SCHEDULE 6 — Principal content of an accident and incident investigation report

- 1. Summary
- 2. Immediate facts of the occurrence
- 3. Record of investigations and inquiries
- 4. Analysis and conclusions

**Explanatory Note** 

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