
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2003 No. 1075

The Network Rail (West Coast Main Line) Order 2003

PART I
PRELIMINARY

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Network Rail (West Coast Main Line) Order 2003 and shall come into force on 28th April 2003.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order—

“the 1961 Act” means the Land Compensation Act 1961(1);

“the 1965 Act” means the Compulsory Purchase Act 1965(2);

“the Applications Rules” means the Transport and Works (Applications and Objections Procedure) Rules 1992(3);

“authorised works” means the scheduled works and any other works authorised by this Order;

“the book of reference” means the book of reference certified by the Secretary of State as the book of reference for the purposes of this Order;

“bridleway”, “carriageway”, “footpath”, “footway”, “highway” and “highway authority” have the same meaning as in the Highways Act 1980(4);

“the deposited plans” means the composite plans prepared in pursuance of rule 7(1)(a) and (3) of the Applications Rules and certified by the Secretary of State as the deposited plans for the purposes of this Order and references to land shown on those plans are references to land so shown in pursuance of rule 7(3);

“the deposited sections” means the sections certified by the Secretary of State as the deposited sections for the purposes of this Order;

“enactment” includes any order, byelaw, rule, regulation, scheme or other instrument having effect by virtue of an enactment;

“the limits of deviation”, in relation to a work, means the limits of deviation related to that work which are shown on the deposited plans;

“maintain” includes inspect, repair, adjust, alter, remove, reconstruct and replace and “maintenance” shall be construed accordingly;

“Network Rail” means Network Rail Infrastructure Limited;

(1) 1961 c. 33.
(2) 1965 c. 56.
(3) S.I. 1992/2902.
(4) 1980 c. 66.

“the Order limits” means any of the limits of deviation, or the limits of land to be acquired or used, shown on the deposited plans;

“owner”, in relation to land, means, unless the context otherwise requires, a person, other than a mortgagee not in possession, who is for the time being entitled to dispose of the fee simple of land (whether in possession or reversion) and includes a person holding, or entitled to the rents and profits of, the land under a lease or tenancy having an unexpired term exceeding 3 years;

“the scheduled works” means the works specified in Schedule 1 to this Order;

“street” includes part of a street;

“street authority”, in relation to a street, has the same meaning as in Part III of the Street Works Act;

“the Street Works Act” means the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991⁽⁵⁾; and

“the tribunal” means the Lands Tribunal.

(2) References in this Order to rights over land include references to rights to do, or to place and maintain, anything in or on land or in the air-space over its surface.

(3) All directions, distances and lengths stated in any description of works, powers or lands shall be construed as if the words “or thereabouts” were inserted after each such direction, distance and length and distances between points on a railway shall be taken to be measured along the railway.

(4) Any reference in this Order to a work identified by the number of the work shall be construed as a reference to the work of that number authorised by this Order.

(5) Any reference in this Order to a point identified by a letter and number shall be construed as a reference to the point so lettered and numbered on the deposited plans.

(6) References in this Order to reference points shall be construed as references to Ordnance Survey National Grid reference points.

(7) References in this Order to highways lettered FP or BR are references respectively to footpaths or bridleways.

(8) References in this Order to the London to Birmingham Section, the Rugby to Stafford Section, the Colwich Junction to Cheadle Hulme Section, the Crewe to Manchester Section and the Crewe to Glasgow Section are references to sections of the railway comprised in the West Coast Main Line.

Incorporation of Railways Clauses Consolidation Act 1845

3.—(1) The following provisions of the Railways Clauses Consolidation Act 1845⁽⁶⁾ shall be incorporated in this Order—

section 24 (obstructing construction of railway), subject to the modification in paragraph (3);

section 58 (company to repair roads used by them), except for the words from “and if any question” to the end;

section 68 (accommodation works by company);

section 71 (additional accommodation works by owners), except for the words “or directed by such justices to be made by the company” and “or, in case of difference, as shall be authorised by two justices”;

sections 72 and 73 (supplementary provisions relating to accommodation works);

section 77 (presumption that minerals excepted from acquisition of land);

⁽⁵⁾ 1991 c. 22.

⁽⁶⁾ 1845 c. 20.

sections 78 to 85E and Schedules 1 to 3 (minerals under railways), as respectively substituted and inserted by section 15 of the Mines (Working Facilities and Support) Act 1923(7); section 145 (recovery of penalties); and section 154 (transient offenders).

(2) In those provisions, as incorporated in this Order—

“the company” means Network Rail;

“prescribed”, in relation to any such provision, means prescribed by this Order for the purposes of that provision;

“the railway” means any railway authorised to be constructed by this Order and, except where the context otherwise requires, any other authorised works; and

“the special Act” means this Order.

(3) Section 24 of the said Act of 1845, as incorporated in this Order, shall have effect as if the maximum fine which may be imposed on summary conviction for an offence under that section were instead of a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale, a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.