

Track Standards Bulletin #4

Broken Joint Bar Procedures and Winter Welding Temperatures

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Refer to Section 8.5.1.b. Revise to read:

- 1. Cold Weather is defined as:
 - a. Windy or precipitation (snow or rain)
 - b. Temperature below 40°F (5°C)

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Refer to Section 5.2.6 and Section 5.2.7. Revise to read

- 6. In Class 3 track and above, joint bars that are broken, cracked or allow vertical movement of either rail when all bolts are tight shall be replaced immediately.
 - a. The CM Sr. Manager of Track and Structures at their discretion can temporarily authorize the movement of trains over a broken joint bar at up to 10mph.
- 7. Joint bars that are cracked or broken between the middle two bolt holes regardless of the class of track must be replaced immediately.
 - The CM Sr. Manager of Track and Structures at their discretion can temporarily authorize the movement of trains over a broken joint bar at up to 10mph.



These changes are effective immediately.

END

Signed:

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