

# Safety hierarchy and selection process



# Introductions

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# About Network Rail

**We own, repair and develop the railway infrastructure in England, Scotland and Wales.**

That's 20,000 miles of [track](#), 30,000 [bridges, tunnels and viaducts](#) and the thousands of [signals](#), level crossings and stations. We manage 20 of the country's [largest stations](#), while all the rest – over 2,500 – are run by the train operating companies.

## **Who we are and what we do**

We exist to get [people](#) and [goods](#) where they need to be and to support our country's economic prosperity.

## **Our purpose**

Is to get people and goods where they need to be, and to support Great Britain's economic prosperity.

## **Our role**

Is to run a safe, reliable and efficient railway, serving our customers and communities.



# Our workforce



# Safety Campaigns



[Lifesaving Rules and Worksafe](#)



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Additional protection isn't just for you. It's for...

- your family
- your partner
- your parents
- your brother
- your mates
- your colleagues

From 31st July 2023, additional protection measures must be in place to keep you safe in a line block as standard. If they aren't? Make sure your voice is heard. Not just for you, but for your family.

**A SAFER SHIFT STARTS WITH YOU**

 everyone home safe every day



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# NR/L2/OHS/019 – Safety of people at work on or near the line

The purpose of the standard is to control the operational, site and task risks

## [019 Standard Simplification – Overview](#)

### Level 2

### Manual

Safety of people at work on or near the line

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# Roles

## The Three Roles

### The Responsible Manager (RM)

- is accountable for the preparation of Safe System of Work (SSoW)
- decides how the work is to be prioritised, planned, and delivered
- appoints the Planner and delegates the preparation of the SWP
- appoints the person in charge to help plan and implement the SSoW and the works
- reviews and authorises or rejects the verified SWP

### The Planner

- is responsible for planning the work as instructed by the RM
- shall have suitable and sufficient task and site risk knowledge and experience, or shall consult with those who can provide such knowledge and experience
- shall be assessed and competent as a SSoW Planner



# Roles

## The Three Roles cont.

### The Person in Charge

- is accountable for their own safety and the safety of all persons in their work group
  - This includes the risk of being struck by trains and the risks associated with the task and location
- shall hold one of the following competencies:
  - COSS; or
  - when working alone, Individual Working Alone (IWA) as a minimum
- retains accountability for safety at a site of work and has the final decision as to whether a SWP is acceptable before it is implemented

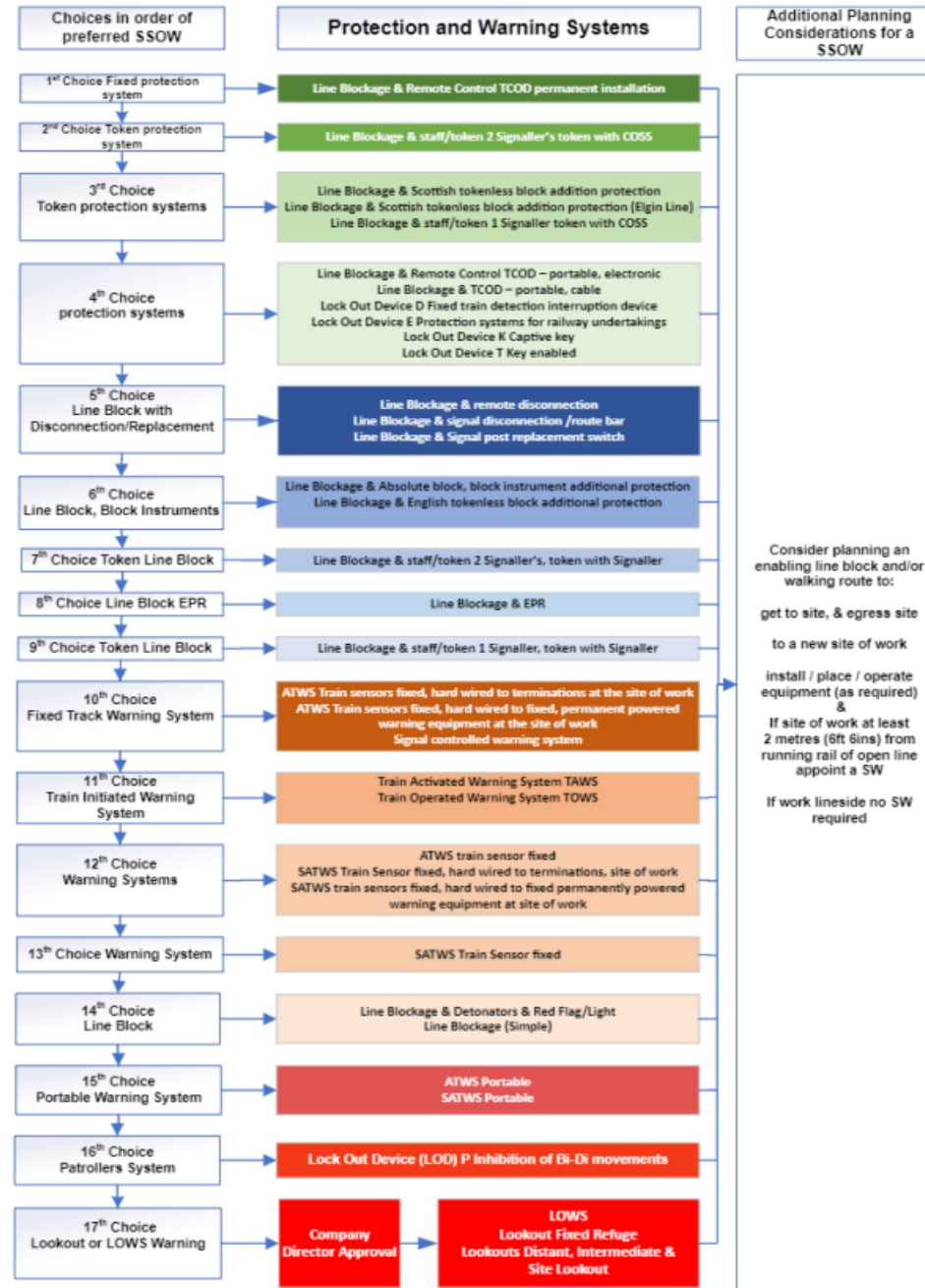
Remember, the person in charge shall not perform the duties of:

- Site Warden
- Lookout





# Hierarchy





Technical Authority



Providing technical leadership