

# **BRITISH RAILWAYS**

**(WESTERN OPERATING AREA)**

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**INSTRUCTIONS FOR  
WORKING**

# **BANANA TRAFFIC**

**VIA**

# **AVONMOUTH (DOCKS)**

**At Freight Train Rates**

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**IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THESE TRAINS SHOULD START  
PUNCTUALLY AND MAINTAIN THEIR SCHEDULES THROUGHOUT,  
AND ALL CONCERNED ARE REQUESTED TO GIVE THE WORKING  
SPECIAL ATTENTION**

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## Working Time Table Reprints

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## **STEAM HEATING ARRANGEMENTS**

From time to time steam heating of bananas imported through Avonmouth will be required upon request from the importers, Messrs Elders & Fyffes, and it will only be on such requests that steam heating will be carried out

### **Stationary Steam Heating at Avonmouth**

The arrangement for steam heating at Avonmouth will be arranged between Messrs Elders & Fyffes' local representative and the Avonmouth Yard Master, in conjunction with the Western Region District Operating Superintendent. When such a request is made the Motive Power Department to be advised to provide an engine fitted with steam-heating pipes at each end for this purpose

### **Steam Heating en route**

If steam heating is required en route a request will be made by Messrs Elders & Fyffes' representative at Avonmouth to the Avonmouth Yard Master who, in turn, must notify the Bristol Western Region Control Office. The Bristol Western Region Control must notify all Western Region District Controls through the medium of the train advices, and Controls concerned must ensure that Trainmen are suitably instructed

Where such trains pass from the Western Region to another Region, the Western Region District Control responsible for the point of exchange must give prior advice to the appropriate Regions District Control to ensure that continuity to steam heating is maintained

In those cases where steam heating is required with trains of bananas from Avonmouth which are worked exclusively by the London Midland Region, the Avonmouth Yard Master must inform the Western Region Control at Bristol, who will give prior notification to Gloucester London Midland Region Control

### **Freight Train Brake Vans**

As the trains shewn in this Notice are scheduled to run under fully fitted conditions, "C" Head Code, it is essential that fitted Freight Brake Vans be provided

To this end an allocation of 10 such Vans branded "Avonmouth R U" has been made to Avonmouth, and it is important that after use they should be returned immediately (in traffic) to Avonmouth and disclosed specially by individual numbers in train advices.

## SCHEDULES FOR SPECIAL TRAINS FROM AVONMOUTH DOCKS

When sufficient wagons of bananas are loaded to justify the running of special trains, these services will run as required at the times shewn below —

Number of Special	1 and 2		3, 4, 5 and 6		7, 8, 9 and 10		11, 12, 13 and 14		15, 16, 17 and 18	
Head Code	" C "		" C "		" C "		" C "		" C "	
Destination	11 0 a m Avonmouth to Yarnton (1) or Banbury (2)		12 0 noon Avonmouth to Reading(3) or Acton (4) or O O Com (5) or Paddington (6)		2 30 p m Avonmouth to Reading (7) or Acton (8) or O O Com (9) or Padd ton (10)		3 40 p m Avonmouth to Reading (11) or Acton (12) or O O Com (13) or Padd ton (14)		6 10 p m Avonmouth to Reading (15) or Acton (16) or O O Com (17) or Padd ton (18)	
	arr a m	dep a m	arr p m	dep noon	arr p m	dep p m	arr p m	dep p m	arr p m	dep p m
Avonmouth (Old Yard)	—	11 0	—	12 0	—	2 30	—	3 40	—	6 10
Hallen Marsh Junction		11 7		12 7		2 37		3 47		6 17
Filton West Junction		11 17		12 17		2 47		3 57		6 27
Stoke Gifford		11 22		12 22		2 52		4 2		6 32
Badminton		11 45		12 45		3 15		4 25		6 55
	p m	p m								
Wootton Bassett		12 8		1 8		3 38		4 48		7 20
Rodbourne Lane		12 16		1 16		3 46		4 56		7 28
Swindon Junction		12 37		1 24		3 48		5 23		7 58
Challow		—		1 44		—		—		—
Wantage Road		—		2 4		—		—		—
Steventon		1 5		2 12		4 23		5 50		8 32
Didcot Foxhall Junction		1 9		M L		M L		M L		M L
Didcot		—		2 17		4 28		5 55		8 37
Reading		—		2 39		4 50		6 18		9 0
Reading New Junction		—		2 45		4 56		6 25		9 10
Reading		—		2 39		4 50		6 18		9 0
Twyford		—		2 50		—		—		—
M Maidenhead		—		* M 3 8L		5 6		6 34		9 16
Slough		—		3 18		5 14		6 42		9 24
Southall West Junction		—		—		—		R L		—
Southall		—		3 29		5 25		6 54		9 35
Longfield Avenue		—		R L		R L		—		R L
Ealing		—		Lo op		Lo op		Lo op		Lo op
Acton Main Line		—		3 40		5 40		7 10		9 50
Southall		—		3 29		5 25		6 54		9 35
Acton Main Line		—		3 38		5 38		7 8		9 48
Friars Junction		—		R L		R L		—		R L
O O Common West		—		3 45		5 45		7 15		9 55
O O Common West		—		3 44		5 44		7 14		9 54
Portobello Junction		—		G 3 50L		G 5 50L		G 7 20L		G 10 0L
Paddington Goods		—		3 55		5 55		7 25		10 5

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When sufficient wagons of bananas are loaded to justify the running of special trains, these services will run as required at the times shewn below —

Number of Special	19, 20, 21, 22 and 23		24, 25, 26, 27 and 28		29, 30 and 31	
Head Code	" C "		" C "		" C "	
Destination	1 0 p m Avonmouth to Sev Tun Jct (19) or Cardiff (20) or Llandilo Jct (21) or Harlescott (22) or Saltney (23)		2 40 p m Avonmouth to Sev Tun Jct (24) or Cardiff (25) or Llandilo Jct (26) or Harlescott (27) or Saltney (28)		8 45 p m Avonmouth to Sev Tun Jct (29) or Cardiff (30) or Llandilo Jct (31)	
Avonmouth (Old Yard)	arr p m —	dep p m 1 0	arr p m —	dep p m 2 40	arr p m —	dep p m 8 45
Hallen Marsh Junction	C1	5S	C2	45S	C8	50S
Severn Beach	CIX	11S	2 52 *	2 56	C8	58S
Pilning Low Level	1 17 Z	1 30	3 4 Z	3 15	9 4 Z	9 16
Pilning Junction	1 36	1 40	3 20	3 25	9 21	9 24
Severn Tunnel East		1 44		3 28	—	*9 56
Severn Tunnel West		1 58		3 40	10 10	10 10
Severn Tunnel Junction	2 1	2 30	3 43	4 25	10 13	10 45
Newport		2 46		*4 43	11 1	11 1
St Brides		2 52		4 50	11 7	11 7
Cardiff	3 5	3 30	5 3	5 30	11 20	11 45
St Brides Cardiff (General)		2 52 3 33		4 50 5 34	11 7 11 48	11 7 11 48
Bridgend	4 20	*4 42		6 17	a m	a m
Pyle West Junction		4 55		6 28		12 25
Port Talbot	5 4 •	5 16	6 37 •	7 9	12 45	1 20
Briton Ferry	—	—	7 16	7 25	—	—
Court Sart Junction		5 24		7 27		1 28
Dynevor Junction		5 28		7 31	Neath	1 35-1 55
Lonlas Junction		5 34		7 37	In	2/7
Felin Fran West		5 36		7 39	Landore	2 17-2 25
Llangennech		5 53		7 56	S W	2/27
Llandilo Junction	5 59	—	8 2	—	Landore	2/37
					Cockett	
					2 52	—
	For continuation of Trains Nos 22 and 23 see page 7		For continuation of Trains Nos 27 and 28 see page 7			

## SCHEDULES FOR SPECIAL TRAINS FROM AVONMOUTH DOCKS

Number of Special	32		Number of Special	33	
Head Code	" C "		Head Code	" C "	
Destination	4 0 p m Avonmouth to Salisbury		Destination	6 10 p m Avonmouth to Tavistock Jn	
	arr p m	dep p m		arr p m	dep p m
Avonmouth	—	4 0	Avonmouth	—	6 10
Hallen Marsh Junction		4 7	Hallen Marsh Junction		6 15
Filton West		4 17	Filton West Junction	—	*6 28
Filton Junction		<b>M4</b> 19 <b>L</b>	Filton Junction		<b>R6</b> 31 <b>L</b>
Stapleton Road		4 26	Stapleton Road		6 40
Dr Day s Bridge Junction		4 29	Dr Day s Bridge Junction		6 45
North Somerset Junction	4 31 *	4 45	North Somerset Junction		6 47
East Depot M L		4 48	Marsh Junction		6 48
Bath Goods		5 8	St Philips Marsh		6 50
Bathampton		5 16	Bristol West		<b>M6</b> 52 <b>L</b>
Freshford		5 24	West Depot		7 0
Trowbridge		5 38	Yatton		7 18
Westbury	5 47 *	6 10	Worle Junction		7 24
Dilton Marsh		6 14	Uphill Junction		7 28
Salisbury (Fisherton)	7 14	—	Highbridge		7 37
			Creech Junction		<b>R</b> <b>L</b>
			Taunton	8 2 <b>L</b>	8 17
			Whiteball		8 37
			Exeter (Riverside)	9 4 •	9 30
			Hackney	10 2	10 38
			Newton Abbot		10 40
			Aller Junction	10 43 <b>B</b>	<b>E</b> 10 45
			Totnes	11 4 <b>B</b>	<b>E</b> 11 6
			Brent		11 24
			Hemerdon S B		11 38
			Tavistock Junction	11 46	—

## SCHEDULES FOR SPECIAL TRAINS FROM AVONMOUTH DOCKS

Number of Special	34		35		36		37 and 38	
Head Code	" C "		" C "		" C "		" C "	
Destination	1 0 p m Avonmouth to L M R		4 10 p m Avonmouth to L M R		6 10 p m Avonmouth to L M R		10 10 p m Avonmouth to L M R (37) or Moor St (38)	
	arr p m	dep p m	arr p m	dep p m	arr p m	dep p m	arr p m	dep p m
Avonmouth (Old Yard)	—	1 0	—	4 10	—	6 10	—	10 10
Hallen Marsh Junction		1 8		4 17		6 18		10 19
Filton West Junction		1* 21		4 27		6 29		10 30
Stoke Gifford		1 25		4 32		6 33		10 34
Westerleigh West Junction		1 34		4 40		6 43* 7 4		10 43
Yate South Junction		1 45		4 46		7 10		10 48
							For continuation when loading to Moor Street see below	

  

Number of Special	38	
Head Code	" C "	
Destination	10 10 p m Avonmouth to Moor Street	
	arr p m	dep p m
Yate South Junction		10 48
Standish Junction		11 26
Gloucester South Junction	11 36	CT O W 11 46
Engine Shed Junction		11 50
Cheltenham (Lansdown)		11 59
Cheltenham (Malvern Road)		12 0
	a m	a m
Toddington		12 19
Honeybourne West		12 31
Honeybourne Station		12 33 <b>A</b>
Evesham		12 41
Pershore		12 48
Worcester Wyld's Lane Jn		12 58
Worcester Shrub Hill	1 00	W C T 1 10
Worcester Tunnel Junction		1 12
Droitwich		1 20
Hartlebury		1 28 <b>B</b>
Kidderminster	1 35	C R 1 45
Stourbridge Junction	2 00	C T 2 05
Rowley Regis		2 23
Handsworth Junction		2 30
Birmingham Snow Hill		2 36
Moor Street	2 44	—

**A**—12 30 a m Honeybourne to Worcester or Kidderminster to be kept clear

**B**—5 0 p m Cardiff to Oxley Sidings to be kept clear

## SCHEDULES FOR SPECIAL TRAINS FROM AVONMOUTH DOCKS

Number of Special	22 and 23		27 and 28		Number of Special	1 and 2	
Head Code	" C "		" C "		Head Code	" C "	
Destination	1 0 p m Avonmouth to Harlescott (22) or Saltney (23)		2 40 p m Avonmouth to Harlescott (27) or Saltney (28)		Destination	1 0 a m Avonmouth to Yarnton (1) or Banbury (2)	
	arr p m	dep p m	arr p m	dep p m		arr p m	dep p m
Severn Tunnel Jn	2 1 Z	* 2 19	3 43 Z	* 4 5	Didcot North Jn	1 10	
Maindee Jn East		2 33		4 20	Oxford	1 23	
Maindee Jn North		2 35		4 22	Yarnton	1 30	—
Pontypool Rd (Pass Stn)	2 56 CT	OW 3 6	4 43 CT	OW 4 53	Cement Sidings		1 32
Abergavenny (Mon Rd)	3 24 B	E* 3 37	5 11 B	E 5 16	Aynho Jn		1 46
Red Hill Jn		4 15		5 54 D	Banbury General	1 54 CT	T 1 59
Hereford Barton	4 20 G	OW 4 40	5 59 CT	OW 6 19	Banbury Jn	2 3	—
Barrs Court Jn	4 45*	4 53 A		6 23			
Leominster		5 11		6 41			
Woofferton		5 20		6 50			
Ludlow		5 27		6 57			
Craven Arms		5 39 B		7 9			
Church Stretton		5 55		7 25			
Condover	—	—	7 36 *	7 50			
Coleham		* 6 13		7 59			
Shrewsbury Station		6 18		8 4			
Harlescott	6 28	—	8 14	—			
Coton Hill	6 21 CT	OW 6*40	8 7 CT	OW 8*22 E			
Gobowen		7 12		8 54			
Ruabon		7 24		9 6 F			
Wrexham		7 33 C		9 15			
Saltney	7 59	—	9 41	—			

- A—1 55 p m Pontypool Road to Harlescott to be regulated  
 B—1 50 p m Pontypool Road to Saltney to be regulated  
 C—4 50 p m Gobowen to Saltney to be regulated  
 D—4 25 p m Pontypool Road to Coton Hill to be regulated  
 E—1 25 p m Alexandra Dock Junction to Saltney to be regulated  
 F—9 5 p m Ruabon to Croes Newydd to be regulated.