



Belt Railway Weekly Safety Bulletin

May 25th, 2026.

“Home of the Free, because of the Brave.” Memorial Day is May 25th

Statistics 2026

(changes this week highlighted)

2026	Engineering	Mechanical	Transportation	Other	Total (YTD)
Reportable Injuries	0	0	3	1	4
Human Factor Incidents	1	3	16	0	20
Run Through Switches	BRC – 7 Foreign – 4				11

Previous Week (May 18th, 2026.)

Most Frequent Exceptions	Engineering	SAF-1 11.4 Hard Hats	
	Mechanical	GCOR 5.9 Headlight Display	
	Transportation	GCOR 7.4 Precautions for Coupling	
		Human Factor	
Incidents	5-18-26 Human Factor Derailment (West Dept. BNSF)		YES
	5-19-26 Vehicle Incident (West Dept. Mechanical)		YES
	5-19-26 Bypass Coupler Derailment (East Class)		NO

Rules of the Week: 5/25/2026

Department	Rules
Engineering	OTS 3.3 Access to Functional Radio OTS-1 pg. 6
Mechanical	SAF-1 20.12.3 Coupler Adjustment SAF-1 pg. 110
Command Center	GCOR 1.9 Respect of Railroad Company GCOR pg. 1-5
Transportation	GCOR 9.5.7 Stop Signals at Interlockings and Control Points G.O.2026-002
Critical Rule	SAF-1 20.1.1 Walking On or Near Tracks SAF-1 pg. 93





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ENGINEERING: OTS-1, 3.3 Access to Functional Radio

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Job briefing must verify that each RWIC of a roadway work group or lone worker has immediate access to a working radio. When immediate access to a working radio is not available, the RWIC or lone worker must have a radio capable of monitoring transmissions from train movements in the vicinity.

MECHANICAL: SAF-1 20.12.3 Coupler Adjustment

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When necessary to make a coupler adjustment:

- Separate equipment at least 50 feet and equipment must be stopped,
- When manually adjusting couplers, carefully follow the procedures outlined in Rule 10.3, Lifting and Moving Material,
- Do not kick or use your foot to make a coupler adjustment,
- Coupler must move without applying excessive force.

COMMAND CENTER: GCOR 1.9 Respect of Railroad Company

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Employees must behave in such a way that the railroad will not be criticized for their actions.

TRANSPORTATION: GCOR 9.5.7 Stop Signals at Interlockings and Control Points

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When a movement stops within one locomotive length of an interlocking signal, it must not proceed without verbal permission of the control operator.



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Critical Rule

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SAF-1 20.1.1 Walking On or Near Tracks

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Do not stand or sit on, walk fouling of or walk between rails of a track unless required by assigned duties.

When standing, walking, or working between or near tracks, keep a careful lookout in both directions for trains, locomotives, cars or other moving equipment and expect movement at any time, on any track, in either direction. Do not rely on hearing the approach of a train or equipment.

Foremen or others in charge of employees working on or about the tracks must require the employees to be alert and watchful and to keep out of danger.