

Queensland Rail

Advice for Minister for Transport and Main Roads

Subject: Progress on the transition to Rail Safety National Law

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- The Rail Safety National Law (Qld) (RSNL) came into effect on 1 July 2017 and provides for a two-year transition period for any substantial changes or new requirements.
- The key changes for Queensland Rail relate to NR [redacted] and fatigue management for Rail Safety Workers (RSW).

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Fatigue management

- Under the new legislation, Queensland Rail is required to monitor actual hours of work for all RSW.
- Some business areas within Queensland Rail, such as traincrew, use a current rostering system that monitors (in conjunction with business rules and reporting) hours of work in relation to Fatigue Audit Inter-Dyne (FAID) scores, number of shifts and cumulative hours worked in a fourteen-day period, maximum shift lengths and breaks between shifts.
- Queensland Rail has identified an IT tool that will be implemented between January and March that will allow for day-of-operations management of fatigue.
- The tool will provide automated evaluation of work schedules against fatigue standards including fatigue scoring using FAID and provide monitoring of the actual hours of work for RSW. Where operational requirements result in actual hours of work which differ from planned working, the tool facilitates appropriate adjustment of future rosters to ensure adequate rest for RSW, and ongoing compliance with fatigue requirements.
- The transition period to March will permit a three-month buffer between then and when finalisation is expected on 1 July 2019.

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Minister Comments

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