

AAR's Early Warning Enforcement Presentation MARTS

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**ASSOCIATION OF
AMERICAN RAILROADS**



Early Warning Enforcement

AAR Interchange Rule 125

critical safety condition

group of cars or

particular component

First MA – 12 months,

Then EW – 90 days,

Then PUMPKIN - Cannot Interchange



Early Warning Enforcement

Growing numbers of cars on EW or MA
Advisories

in January 2011

EW = 71, 812

MA = 18, 931

TOTAL = 90, 742



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Action Taken

Developed phased approach

Reviewed and vetted

With EEC, ARB, TSWC

Endorsed by all members

Announced July 14, 2011 (CL-11479)

Reminder January 6, 2012 (CL-11586)



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Schedule – Maintenance Advisories

- On January 1, 2012, all Maintenance Advisories issued from 1996 through 2005 were elevated to Early Warning status.
 - After 90 days any cars remaining became prohibited in interchange.
- On April 1, 2012, all Maintenance Advisories issued from 2006 through 2008 were elevated to Early Warning status.
 - After 90 days any cars remaining became prohibited in interchange.



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Schedule – Maintenance Advisories

- On June 1, 2012, all Maintenance Advisories issued in 2009 were elevated to Early Warning status.
 - After 90 days any cars remaining became prohibited in interchange.
- On October 1, 2012, all Maintenance Advisories issued in 2010 will be elevated to Early Warning status.
 - After 90 days any cars remaining will become prohibited in interchange.



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Schedule – Maintenance Advisories

- All Maintenance Advisories issued in 2011 will be elevated to Early Warning status 12 months following their original issue dates.
- After 90 days any cars remaining will become prohibited in interchange.



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Schedule – Early Warnings

- On January 1, 2012, all Early Warnings with “Stop Car” codes had 90 days to complete the actions required in the subject advisories.
- On April 1, 2012, all other Early Warnings were given 90 days to complete the actions required in the subject advisories.
 - After 90 days any cars remaining became prohibited in interchange.



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Excluded For Now

MA-63 – Cars Overdue for Periodic Air Brake Testing

EW-5171 – Cars Overdue for Periodic Air Brake Testing



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The Good News

Since January 1 – Steady Decrease

Phase 1 Cars

Jan 1 = 1967

Feb 5 = 1590

March 18 = 1386



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Cars prohibited in Interchange
(April 27, 2012 tally)

- April 1 Deadline
 - 22 Early Warnings
 - 999 Cars Outstanding
- July 1 Deadline
 - 32 Additional Early Warnings
 - 3304 Additional Cars Outstanding



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September 1 Status

- Cars in EW or MA Status
 - July 14, 2011 = 27,283
 - not including SCT
- September 1, 2012 = 5,404
 - 1415 XX Status
 - 3,989 Active Status



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For 3,989 Cars in Active Status

- Through 2012
 - 2,407 would change to XX
- Through 2013
 - 1,582 would change to XX



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The Next Initiative Cars Overdue for Air Brake Testing