

Dean Forest Railway Telecoms



Telecoms is a small group that can usually only muster a maximum of three persons for lineside work at any one time. Often the number is down to two and often the nature of the work requires the staff to be deployed at more than one point at the same time. Generally we work under "red zone" conditions. These rules have been written with these limitations in mind.

All lineside telecom items will be given a listing as follows :

Type 1 : item placed in a safe location and no special precautions will be necessary. Should any minor hazards exist, they will be listed below. Suitable for singleton working.

Type 2 : item placed in a location that is safe with care. Most locations are type 2. Some hazards may exist and will be listed below. Any particular precautions will also be listed. At least two people must be employed on work at type 2 locations.

Type 3 : item placed in a position that is not safe without special precautions that will be listed below.

Item Description : Norchard DPY

(Two Large S&T Cabinets)

Location : North side of Middle Forge Crossing.

Safety Category : Type 2 safe with care



Distance from rail : 1.5m

Distance from rail by Technician : 0.5m

Train visibility : South 50m, North 150m

Hazards : Close to rail, ants make a nest in concrete channel

Keys required : cabinet key

Nearest Phone : In cabinet south of Middle Forge

Nearest Signal Post Phone : On signal post south of Middle Forge crossing

Nearest Road Access Point : via footpath to road at Middle Forge

Nearest Refuge : Beside cabinet

Approach : from Middle Forge footpath

Special Precautions Required : Double track to cross from approach path. A minimum of two men must go to site, one of whom will be a full time look out. Be very careful in looking out for approaching trains. Beware possibility of wasp's nest or ants in cabinet. Tools and stores etc must not be placed on the ground close to the line.

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