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**THE GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS (STAFF) REGULATIONS  
1953, AMENDMENT NO. 31**

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**RICHARD WILD, Administrator of the Government**  
**ORDER IN COUNCIL**

At the Government House at Wellington this 22nd day of June 1970

Present:

**HIS EXCELLENCY THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE GOVERNMENT IN COUNCIL**  
 PURSUANT to the Government Railways Act 1949, His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

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**REGULATIONS**

**1. Title**—These regulations may be cited as the Government Railways (Staff) Regulations 1953, Amendment No. 31, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Government Railways (Staff) Regulations 1953\* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

**2. Employees may be temporarily laid off in certain cases**—The principal regulations are hereby amended by inserting, after regulation 233, the following regulation:

“233A. (1) If at any time the General Manager is of the opinion that there is for the time being insufficient work to keep any employee or any class of employees gainfully occupied in his or their normal occupation, he may direct, by notice in writing to that employee or to the members of that class, as the case may be, that, while the notice remains in force, the services of the employee or members of the class are not required; and every such notice shall take effect according to its tenor.

\*S.R. 1953/34 (Reprinted with Amendments Nos. 1 to 22: S.R. 1964/197)  
 Amendment No. 23: S.R. 1965/132  
 Amendment No. 24: S.R. 1966/8  
 Amendment No. 25: S.R. 1966/130  
 Amendment No. 26: S.R. 1967/101  
 Amendment No. 27: S.R. 1967/245  
 Amendment No. 28: S.R. 1968/105  
 Amendment No. 29: S.R. 1968/106  
 Amendment No. 30: S.R. 1969/172

“(2) Every such notice shall state the time and date from which it is to take effect, and shall remain in force for such period as may be specified therein, or, if no such period is specified, until it is revoked by the General Manager.

“(3) While any such notice remains in force, no employee to whom it relates shall be entitled to any remuneration by way of salary or wages, or allowances, nor shall he be obliged to perform any duty that he would, but for the notice, normally be obliged to perform.

“(4) Without limiting any other method of notification, an employee or class of employees shall be deemed to have been notified of the existence of any notice made under this regulation or of the revocation of any such notice, if the notice or, as the case may be, the revocation of the notice, is notified to any trade union of which the employee is a member or, in the case of a class of employees, of which the employees of that class are members.

“(5) Except as specifically provided in this regulation, where any notice made under subclause (1) of this regulation is for the time being in force, nothing shall affect the rights and obligations of the General Manager as employer or the rights and obligations as employees of the persons to whom the notice relates.

“(6) On the expiration or, as the case may be, revocation of any notice made under this regulation, every employee to whom the notice relates (unless he or the General Manager has sooner terminated his employment in the Department) shall be under an obligation to report for duty at the normal time for the commencement of his duty on the next day on which he would, but for the notice, have been under an obligation to report.”

P. J. BROOKS,

Clerk of the Executive Council.

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.*

These regulations are intended to enable railway workers to be laid off work without pay where for some reason there is insufficient work for them to perform.

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These regulations are administered in the New Zealand Government Railways Department.