



OPERATING NOTICE

BALLOON LOOP

There is now a weighted point lever on the points on the entrance to the balloon loop on the low-level railway. This is to make an easier operation when only running 1- 3 trains on the railway (miniature event, family weekend, war weekend etc.)

There is now also a white light on these points that acts as an indicator to show when the point blades are fully home.

These points are to be used in the same way as the ones at Oaktree. If there is no light showing on the approach, then the driver must stop and investigate why, contacting the Duty Officer if required before proceeding. **These points must not be trailed at more than walking pace, otherwise they will throw the lever to set the road in the wrong direction.**

On days when a signalman is not on duty at the balloon loop, the Duty officer will give permission to the crews in his safety briefing to pass the stop boards on the approach to the loop, in the platform and on the exit of the loop for the low-level only.

On days where a signalman is on duty then all stop boards must be obeyed and only proceed with permission from the signalman.