

**Illinois Commerce Commission**  
**2021 Rail Safety Bulletin 1.0 - Yearly Agenda**  
**March 2021**

The following provides a reference for the Commission’s programs, due dates, rules & regulations, *links*, and contacts with respect to the duties established in *625 ILCS 5/18c – Illinois Commercial Transportation Law and Title 92: Transportation*. For additional information, please contact Brian Vercruyse, Rail Safety Program Administrator (312) 636-7760 or [ICC.RailSafety@illinois.gov](mailto:ICC.RailSafety@illinois.gov) . **For Daily Docket & ICC Calendar, click [here](#).**

<p><b><u>Crossing Safety Improvement Program</u></b> (<a href="#">Link</a>)</p> <p><b>January 16<sup>th</sup></b> Applications Due  <b>April 2021</b> 5-Year Program Announced  <b>August 31<sup>st</sup></b> Crossing surface renewal lists due from RR’s</p> <p><i>CSIP Links</i>  Applications: 1. <i>Public Grade Xing</i>; 2. <i>Hwy Bridge</i>; 3. <i>Ped Bridge</i>  <i>Grade Crossing Protection Fund Resource Guide</i></p> <p><i>92 IAC 1500 Minimum Clearances</i>  <i>92 IAC 1535 Crossings of Rail Carriers and Highways</i>  <i>92 IAC 1536 Grade Crossing Closure and Opening</i></p>	<p><b><u>Rail Safety Education &amp; Outreach</u></b></p> <p><b>September 21, 2021</b> 100/150 Year ICC Rail Safety Summit  <b>September 21, 2021</b> Supplier Diversity Workshop  <b>9am to 1 pm – 160 N. LaSalle, Chicago, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor</b></p> <p>September 20 - 26<sup>th</sup> Illinois &amp; National Rail Safety Week</p> <p>IL Operation Lifesaver North Meetings – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of Qtr.  South Meetings – 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of Qtr.  <b>(10 am March, June, Sept., Dec.)</b></p> <p>Contact: <i>Chip Pew</i>   (312) 304-2447</p>														
<p><b><u>Inspection Program</u></b> (<a href="#">Link</a>)</p> <p><b>Track Safety</b></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>North</td> <td>Vacant</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Central</td> <td><i>Troy Fredericks</i>   (217) 836-3245</td> </tr> <tr> <td>South</td> <td><i>Jason Felmey</i>   (217) 993-1014</td> </tr> </table> <p><b>Signal &amp; Warning Devices</b> <a href="mailto:ICC.RailRoadSignal@illinois.gov">ICC.RailRoadSignal@illinois.gov</a></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Mgr. Design &amp; Review</td> <td><i>Mitch Hibschman</i>   (217) 836-2309</td> </tr> <tr> <td>North</td> <td><i>Paul Youngmark</i>   (217) 622-2353</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Central</td> <td><i>Chancey Weidenhamer</i>   (309) 335-1021</td> </tr> <tr> <td>South</td> <td>Vacant</td> </tr> </table> <p><b>Traffic Signal Interconnects</b> <i>Stan Milewski</i>   (312) 636-7762  <i>Chris Murauski</i>   (630) 947-6283</p> <p><b>Hazardous Materials -</b> <i>Shannon Coy</i>   (217) 827-1115  <i>(HM Annual Report)</i> <i>Tim Gruhlke</i>   (618) 292-4512</p> <p><b>Operating Practices</b> <i>Dennis Mogan</i>   (312) 590-1016</p>	North	Vacant	Central	<i>Troy Fredericks</i>   (217) 836-3245	South	<i>Jason Felmey</i>   (217) 993-1014	Mgr. Design & Review	<i>Mitch Hibschman</i>   (217) 836-2309	North	<i>Paul Youngmark</i>   (217) 622-2353	Central	<i>Chancey Weidenhamer</i>   (309) 335-1021	South	Vacant	<p><b><u>Railroad Worker Safety</u></b></p> <p><i>92 IL Admin Code 1545, Sanitation &amp; Shelter Facilities</i> (<a href="#">Link</a>)  <i>92 IL Admin Code 1546, Employee Walkways in Rail Yards</i> (<a href="#">Link</a>)  <i>92 IL Admin Code 1550, Transport Employees</i> (<a href="#">Link</a>)</p> <p><b>Requirements include but are not limited to the following:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drinking Water, Toilets, Washing Facilities, Showers, Locker Rooms</li> <li>• Locker Sizes and specifications, Dressing Rooms</li> <li>• Bunk Rooms, Camp Cars and Dormitories, Camp Facilities</li> <li>• Lunchrooms, Caboozes, Cleanliness and Maintenance</li> <li>• <u>Railroad notice to ICC Rail Safety Program Administrator not less than 45 days</u> in advance of construct, modify, or eliminate a sanitation or shelter facility.</li> <li>• Yard walkways material; grade; other specifications.</li> <li>• Requirements for vehicles used in the transport of railroad employees: compartments, inspection, safety equipment, driver and employee responsibilities.</li> </ul>
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<p><b><u>Transportation Regulatory Fund</u></b> (<a href="#">Link</a>)</p> <p>Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> <i>Designated Agent Form Due</i>  (Or within 15 days of change per <a href="#">92 IAC 1501</a>)</p> <p>February 1<sup>st</sup> <i>Route Mileage Fee For Rail Carriers Due</i>  February 1<sup>st</sup> <i>Grade Crossing &amp; Separation Fee Due</i>  March 31<sup>st</sup> <i>Gross Receipts Taxes for Motor Carriers Due</i>  (Annual and Estimated Tax Forms)</p>	<p><b><u>Data   Reporting   Docketing   FOIA   Other</u></b></p> <p><b>Incident Reporting: For all incidents, RR’s are required to report to IL Emergency Mgmt. Agency per <a href="#">92 IAC 1515</a> (<a href="#">link</a>).</b></p> <p>Program Policy &amp; Crossing Data: <i>Steve Laffey</i>   (217) 785-9026  <i>Crossing Search - ICC GIS Map</i></p> <p><i>E-Docket Help: Heather Parks</i>   (217) 557-5820  <i>FOIA Requests</i>  Informal Complaints. Email: <a href="mailto:ICC.RailSafety@illinois.gov">ICC.RailSafety@illinois.gov</a></p>														