



Inspection Form

Form WMSC-IR-1

Washington Metrorail Safety Commission

Agency/Department Information

Inspection Date	YYYY	MM	DD	Report Number	20210305-WMATA-LBW-1		
	2021	02	16				
Rail Agency Name	Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority			Rail Agency Department	Operations	Sub-Department	RTRA
Rail Agency Department Contact Information	Name		Email		Office Phone		Mobile Phone
	[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]
Inspection Location							

Inspection Summary

Inspection Activity #	1	2	3	4	5	6
Activity Code	RTRA-GEN-RR					
Inspection Units	1					
Inspection Subunits	0					
Defects (Number)	0					
Recommended Finding	No					
Remedial Action Required¹	No					
Recommended Reinspection	Yes					

Activity Summaries

Inspection Activity #	1	Inspection Subject	QC Audits on personal electronic devices				Activity Code	RTRA	GEN	RR	
Job Briefing Employee Name/Title	N/A		Accompanied Inspector?	NA	Out Brief Conducted	NA	Time	NA	Outside Shift	NA	
Related Reports	N/A		Related CAPS / Findings		C0019						
Related Rules, SOPs, Standards, or Other	Ref		Rule or SOP		Standard		Other / Title		Checklist Reference		
			Policy/ Instruction 10.3/6 electronic device policy								
			Safety Rule 4.227 (a) and (b)								
Inspection Location	Main Track	Yard	Station	OCC	RTA Facility	WMSC Office	Track Type	At-grade	Tunnel	Elevated	N/A
						X					
Line(s)	Track Number		Chain Marker and/or Station(s)				From			To	
Vehicles	Head Car Number		Number of Cars			Equipment					
	7002										



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Description	<p>The WMSC Inspector conducted an inspection of the RTRA QA/QC Audits on personal electronic devices on trains, towers, and terminals. The objective of this inspection is to examine the Rail Train Operators compliance with the Electronic Device Policy 10.3/6 and the Metrorail Safety Rules and Procedures Handbook (MSRPH) Safety Rule (SR) 4.227. Particularly, the rules and procedures when operating a Class 1 rail vehicle. The WMSC inspector reviewed the documentation submitted by the QA/QC officer. The QA/QC Officer obtained console video footage for car 7002 from Car Maintenance and examined approximately 2.5 hours of video footage. Each Train Operator was visually monitored for an average of 30 minutes once they departed the terminal station to determine if an electronic device was exposed and/or used.</p> <p><i>Safety Rule 4.227 (a) It is prohibited to use a cell phone, any electronic device or wear an earphone device while operating a revenue vehicle or directly interacting with WMATA customers. Prohibited use of cell phones includes text messaging, conversations, or using any of the phone applications (calendar, camera, etc.).</i></p> <p><i>Safety Rule 4.227 (b) While operating Class I or II vehicles, cell phones and electronic devices are to be turned off and stored off-person. In the event of a life-threatening situation or an Authority provided radio malfunction, cellular phones may be used to contact Central Control after the vehicle is stopped in a safe place.</i></p> <p>There was a total of five (5) observations and all train operators were observed 100% in compliance with the electronic device policy.</p>	Number of Defects	0
		Recommended Finding?	No
		Remedial Action Required?	No
		Recommended Reinspection?	Yes
Remedial Action	N/A		

¹ The rail transit agency must provide WMSC with the necessary evidence (e.g. maintenance work order system records, photos, documentation, records, data, or other evidence) to close out the Remedial Action. Closeout of Remedial Actions may also be subject to ongoing WMSC verification inspections to ensure corrections are sufficient and effective.

Inspector in Charge – Signature		Date 03/05/21
Inspector in Charge – Name Bruce Walker	Inspection Team Bruce Walker	