

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA (BHARAT SARKAR)
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (RAIL MANTRALAYA)
(RAILWAY BOARD)**

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The General Manager(P)
Central Railway,
MUMBAI

**Sub: Counting of period of Apprenticeship for the purpose
of passes/PTOs facilities.**

Ref: Central Rly's letter No.HPB/109/Misc/Apprentices dated 8.9.2000

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As per extant instructions, the training/apprentice period is counted for pensionary purpose only if the same is followed immediately by absorption in a regular post. In cases where there is delay in absorption of the employee due to administrative reasons, i.e. due to non-availability of posts etc. the training period is allowed to be counted as qualifying service as a special case, by condoning the break/gap. However, in no case, the period of break/gap is treated as qualifying service for pensionary purposes. In view of this, only the apprentice period should be taken into account for determining the eligibility for grant of passes/PTOs.

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