Sub: Manufacture of Wagons against RSP Purchase Orders and Non-Railway Customer (NRC).

In some recent cases it has been seen that there have been some confusion about the procedure to be adopted for turning out wagons manufactured by various private wagon manufacturers. It is clarified that the action for turning out new wagons shall be as follows:

a. The inspection of infrastructure and facilities required for manufacture of wagons is governed by G-105 specification of RDSO. The work of inspection & certification of compliance to G-105 is the domain of RDSO.

b. Purchase orders are placed on G-105 compliant wagon manufactures based on the eligibility norms defined by G-105 and tender conditions.

c. Wagons are manufactured against Purchase Order placed by Railway Board under Rolling Stock Programme (RSP) as well as through PO’s placed by Private entities (NRCs) licensed by Railways for purchase, ownership and operation of wagons under various policies of Railway Board like LWIS, CTO, AFTO, WLS, SFTO and GPWIS.

d. In case of RSP orders, the inspection of new wagons is under taken by RDSO QA(Mech.) dte. and a Dispatch Memo (DM) is issued after such inspection. Since the wagons are manufactured against RSP orders, no inspection charges are levied by RDSO.

e. In case of NRC orders, the inspection is done by RDSO for which the firm is required to pay inspection charge at prescribed rates to RDSO, prior to the inspection being conducted.

f. Once the inspection is complete to the satisfaction of the inspector, a DM is issued by RDSO/QA(Mech.) dte. along with an inspection certificate which authorises the firm to turn out the wagon for its operation on IR network.

g. The Local Divisional Officers are advised by the firm for TXR examination of the wagons manufactured so that the movement of such wagon on IR network can be permitted. On advice of the firm the nominated TXR is required to inspect the wagons. For this no charges are payable by the manufacturer, as examination of wagon is a routine maintenance activity for operation of wagon.

h. In case of RSP orders, the TXR examination is to take out the wagons from the siding to the nearest traffic yard of IR where such wagons are to be formed into a rake. Such full rake formation may consist of all wagons newly turned out in one lot, turned out in different lots or mixed with other existing wagons of IR. Once the rake is formed, the TXR examination is carried out for issue of BPC of the rake to the next point of loading or any other location as per Traffic requirement.
i. In case of NRC orders, the rakes are usually turned out in full rake formation, while the spare wagons may be as loose wagons, in all cases the rakes/wagons as the case may be are to be examined by TXR for dispatch in empty condition to the nominated maintenance base station of such NRC wagons. The NRC wagons shall be sent to nominated base for their commissioning and after commissioning, the base depot shall be issuing clear BPC on CC basis as applicable for loading and other operations. In these case also the TXR charges are not applicable for the examination as detailed above.

j. In case of NRC wagon the nominated base depot of a Railway shall examine and maintain the wagons as per the “terms and conditions” of the maintenance agreement entered into by the concerned Railway as per the private wagon maintenance policy and specific provisions of the wagon investment policy under which such wagons are being introduced. The charges for such maintenance activity shall necessarily follow provisions of wagon investment policy, that is applicable.

k. The wagon maintenance as referred to above covers all maintenance including POH, ROH, en-route examination and troubleshooting repairs subject to provisions regarding special fittings as given in the respective wagon investment policy, that is applicable.

l. In addition of above, in certain cases, Non-Railway customer may also order wagons for their operation in system like MGR or their internal plant use. Such wagons are required to be moved over IR network for manufacturer’s plant to the purchaser’s plant/MGR system. Such movement is to be taken place against commercial booking for which an RR is issued. Examination in this case is subject to commercial rules.

It is requested that the above may please be widely circulated among all on Zonal Railways so as to ensure that

1. TXR examination of wagons manufactured taken place promptly and without any confusion.
2. Wagons maintenance agreements are executed with the operators in all cases in time & before operation starts, and maintenance charges as admissible get recovered.

Necessary action may be taken accordingly.

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