

Train Dispatcher

Company Name: Kansas City Terminal Railway

Job Type: Full Time

Location: Kansas City, MO

Tax Status: Railroad Retirement

Job Summary

A train dispatcher is responsible for the safe and efficient movement of trains, railcars, and track equipment. The protection of on track equipment and personnel as required, and effectively communicate instructions to crews pertaining to the movement of railcars.

Primary Activities and Responsibilities

- Ensure compliance with all railroad rules, procedures, and regulations for safety, operations and the Federal Railroad Administration
- Direct and coordinate railroad traffic, issue authorities, monitor all rail movements and computerized records of all activities
- Monitor train and authority movements
- Plan in advance for smooth and effective movement of priority trains, trains containing hazardous materials or restricted shipments, and meets to avoid unnecessary delays
- Remotely control track switches and signals and apply and remove blocking devices
- Coordinate track usage with Engineering department personnel
- Knowledge of assigned territory and keep informed of changes in the physical characteristics
- Maintain familiarity with scheduled trains, destinations, times of arrivals and departures
- Communicate with personnel on weather conditions or any environmental conditions affecting train movement
- Communicate with management personnel any irregularity relating to the movement of trains
- Report alleged violations of operating rules

Minimum Qualifications

- High School Diploma/GED
- 18 years of age or older
- Valid Driver's License
- Type average of 25 WPM
- Computer Literate
- Ability to multi-task
- Ability to analyze and prioritize multiple tasks
- Ability to communicate clearly by radio, intercom, and telephone
- Prior supervisory experience, transportation industry (especially railroad), military or air traffic controller experience is a definite plus

Preferred Qualifications

- Previous Train Dispatching Experience Preferred
- Railroad signal, track, or transportation experience
- Working knowledge of GCOR, FRA, and NTSB Policies

Employment Conditions

- This position is covered by a collective bargaining agreement; membership is required
- Work hours may include a non-standard workweek, overtime, and various shift work. Must be available for work 24/7/365, including ALL holidays
- Ability to report to work with 2 hour advance notice
- Complete annual training and pass rules examinations
- Must pass post-offer medical examination, including drug test
- Federal regulation requires random testing for drugs and/or alcohol
- Must be able to identify and distinguish colors displayed on a video monitor and video display in order to read track labels, switch indicators, and other safety sensitive indications

Salary

Based on collective bargaining agreement

All applicants must submit resume to: Robert Tatum at RSTatum@KCTRailway.com

Please Note: Posting closes at midnight on January 29th, 2023.

Resumes submitted after this time will not be considered.