

NORTH EASTERN RAILWAY

CE'S P.WAY CIRCULAR NO.7 OF 1961.

CASE NO.W/67/13/W-7(B)

SCOTCH BLOCKS.

It is found that P.W.Is are not paying due attention to the type and the manner of fitting of scotch blocks. Cases have come to my notice where left-hand scotch-blocks have been fitted on to the right-hand rails, thereby rendering them practically ineffective. In some other cases, it has been noticed that although the scotch-blocks have been fitted on the correct rail, they have been fitted in such a bad manner that they are not likely to derail a wagon and if they do derail it, the wagon may infringe the adjacent line. Scotch blocks are fitted as a measure of safety and it should be ensured that they are fitted in the correct manner necessary to serve their purpose. AENs and DENs should pay special attention to this matter, during their inspections, to ensure that the scotch-blocks are fitted correctly and also take up failures on the part of P.W.Is in this respect, severely.