Terms and Conditions for Candidates Recruited to Various Railway Services

1. Probation:

1.1 Centralised training of probationers

The probationary training of probationers of different Group ‘A’ services has been centralized with the Centralised Training Institutions as under:

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<th>Service</th>
<th>Institution for Centrally Co-ordinating/Monitoring Probationary training</th>
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<tr>
<td>IRSE</td>
<td>IRIECEN, Pune</td>
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<td>IRSME (Engg. Graduates and SCRA)</td>
<td>IRIMEE, Jamalpur</td>
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1.2 Ministry of Railways has decided that the probationary training of probationers of Group ‘A’ services of all departments excepting IRMS would be 78 weeks. The period of probation, probation on training against working post would be as under:

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<th>Total period of Probation</th>
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<td>IRSME, IRSE, IRSSE, IRSEE, IRSS &amp; IRTS</td>
<td>1.5 years</td>
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The period of probation may be extended at the discretion of the Government.

2. Training:

2.1 All the probationers will be required to undergo training for a period of 1.5 years in accordance with the prescribed training syllabus for the particular service/post at such places and in such manner and pass such examination during this period as the Government may determine from time to time. The probationers will also be required to pass a language examination in Hindi Devnagri script of an approved standard within the period of probation.

2.2 The performance evaluation of Group ‘A’ probationers during the probationary training will be done by way of award of marks for the various items of probationary training.

2.3 No probationer will be allowed to re-appear in any institutional or departmental examination except for the following reasons:
a) If a probationer is prevented from appearing in any examination either because of his/ her sickness or any other reason beyond his/ her control, he/ she may be allowed to appear in a special examination within 3 months.

b) In case a probationer does not pass any Institutional or Departmental examination in the first attempt, he/ she may be allowed to sit for re-examination in the papers in which he/ she has failed. But in that case, the marks awarded to probationer in such re-examination shall not be taken into account for determining the seniority (his/ her score in the original examination only will be counted).

The exemption in (b) above will also apply to the probationers who have been permitted to take special examination in the circumstances mentioned in (a) above. If a Probationer fails to pass second examination (b) above his/ her services are likely to be terminated.

3. **Refund of Cost of Training:**

   If for any reasons which in the opinion the Government are not beyond the control of the Probationers, a Probationer wishes to withdraw from training or probation he shall be liable to refund the any money paid to him, including pay and allowances, travelling expenses to join appointment and all expenses that shall or may have been incurred by the Central Government for the probationary training. For this purpose he will execute a bond as in the prescribed proforma. The Probationers permitted to apply for appointment to Indian Administrative Service, Indian Foreign Service etc. will not, however; be required to refund the cost of the training.

4. **Termination of appointment during probation:**

   4.1 The appointment of Probationers can be terminated by three month’s notice in writing on either side during the period of Probation in terms of Rule 301 (3) of the Indian Railway Estt Code Volume –I. Such notice is not however required in cases of dismissal or removal as a disciplinary measure after compliance with the provisions of Clause (2) of Article 311 of the Constitution and compulsory retirement due to mental or physical incapacity.

   4.2 If in the opinion of the Government the work or conduct of a probationer is unsatisfactory or shows that he is unlikely to become efficient, Govt. may discharge him forthwith.

   4.3 Failure to pass the Departmental examinations may result in termination of services. Failure to pass the examination in Hindi of an approved standard within the period of Probation shall involve liability to termination of services.

   4.4 The Government, however, reserve the right to terminate the services forthwith in terms of Rules 301, as amended from time to time.

5. **Confirmation**

   The probationers will be confirmed in Junior Scale after having successfully passed all the examinations prescribed after completion of institutional training as well as posting examination and confirmation test now being prescribed in lieu of Departmental examination at the end of probation against working post.
6. **Determination of Seniority of Group ‘A’ Probationers of different services in Junior Scale after their confirmation.**

The performance of Group ‘A’ probationers during the probationary training will be evaluated and marks will be awarded for each item of probationary training.

6.1 The inter-se seniority of Group ‘A’ probationers of a particular examination batch and of a particular service, on their confirmation to junior scale, will now be decided on the basis of marks obtained by them during the probationary training and the marks obtained by them in the U.P.S.C. Competition (or during the apprenticeship training for SCRA). For the purpose of determining seniority in accordance with the revised procedure, Probationers’ merit position would be adjudged on the basis of marks secured by them out of maximum marks – 3300 – the maximum marks of UPSC competition would be 2050 and the maximum marks for performance during probationary period will be 1250.

6.2 In case of Engineering Services Examination, the maximum marks of UPSC competition are 1200. Therefore, for the purpose of determining seniority on the basis of above norms, the marks obtained by the candidate in the UPSC competition may be normalised by multiplying by a factor of 2050/1200 = 1.71083. Similarly, in case of SCRA the maximum marks permissible during their 4 years apprenticeship period are 2400. The marks scored by them may be normalized by multiplying by a factor of 2050/2400=0.854.

7. **Pay**

The Probationer will commence drawing pay at the minimum of the Junior Scale pay structure i.e. Pay Band PB-3 (Rs. 15600-39,100/-), Grade Pay Rs. 5400/- from the date of his joining the service.

In case of Probationers of the Indian Railway Accounts Service, Indian Railway Traffic Service, Indian Railway Personnel Service and Railway Protection Force, the date on which they join the Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie or any other institute as decided by Department of Personnel and Training (DoP&T) will be taken as the date of appointment as Probationers on the Indian Railways, in case they are deputed for training at the Academy prior to their joining the Indian Railways.

Grant of Advance Increments to Probationers:

Probationers will be entitled to grant of advance increments as per the instructions of Ministry of Railways as in force from time to time.

8. **Provident fund and pension:**

The probationers joining the Railway Services from 01.01.2004 will be governed by the New Pension System and not by the Railway Services (Pension) Rules, 1993 and State Railway Provident Fund Rules.

9. **Passes and PTOs.**

The Probationers will be eligible for free Railway passes and Privilege Ticked Orders in accordance with the rules in force from time to time.
10. **Posting.**

The probationers will be posted to the zonal Railway as will be intimated later. A probationer will ordinarily be employed throughout his service on the Railway to which he has been posted. The Ministry of Railways, however, reserve their right to require him to serve on any other Railway or Project in or out of India.

11. **Declaration about marriage.**

Under the rules, a person having more than one spouse living or a woman whose marriage is void by reason of her husband having a wife living at the time of such marriage, is not eligible for appointment to the Railway Service. The Government of India, may, however, if satisfied that there are special, grounds for doing so, exempt any person from the operation of this provision. The offer of appointment is, therefore, conditional on the candidate’s signing a declaration in the form enclosed and submitting the same to the General Manager of the Railway to which he/ she has been posted/ posted for training. In case the candidate does not satisfy this condition and wishes to be exempted from the operation of this provision, he/ she shall furnish the full facts of this case to the Ministry of Railways immediately to enable the Government to take decision in the matter.

12. **Liability to serve the Defence Services.**

The Probationer appointed to the Indian Railway Service of Engineers, Indian Railway Service of Mechanical Engineers, Indian Railway Service of Electrical Engineers, Indian Railway Service of Signal Engineers and Indian Railway Stores Services shall, if so required, be liable to serve in any Defence Service or post connected with the Defence of India for a period of not less than 4 years including the period spent on training, if any, provided that such person:

a) shall not be required to serve as aforesaid after the expiry of ten years from the date of appointment; and

b) shall not ordinarily be required to serve as aforesaid after attaining the age of 40 years.

13. The Probationer will be governed in respect of all matters, whether specifically provided for herein or otherwise by the Recruitment Rules for the respective Railway Services and the provisions of the Indian Railway Codes and other extant orders as issued/ amended from time to time.

14. **Request for extension in joining time would be dealt as per DoP&T OM No. 35015/2/93-Estt (D) dated 09.08.1995. Relevant extract is reproduced below:-**

".............The matter has been examined in consultation with the UPSC and it has been decided to reduce from nine months the maximum time up to which an officer of appointment can be kept open. In other words, an officer of appointment should clearly specify the period (which shall not normally exceed one or two months) after which the offer would lapse 'automatically if the candidate did not join within the specified period.' If, however, within the specified period, a request is received from the candidate for extension of time, it may be considered by the Ministries/Departments but extension beyond three months should not be granted liberally and it may be granted only as an exception where facts and circumstances so warrant and in any case only up to a maximum of six months from the date of issue of the original offer of appointment. An offer of appointment would lapse automatically after the expiry of six months from the date of issue of offer of appointment"."
15. Extension in joining time will not be granted as a matter of right. Only justified cases supported with documentary evidence will be considered for grant of extension in joining time which will be subject to DoP&T’s OM No. 35015/2/93-Estt(D) dated 09.08.1995. In their own interest, the candidates should pursue their case for extension in joining time with Board’s office. Non-receipt of extension letter etc. will not be considered as a reason for not joining and subsequently requesting for revival of offer.

16. Probationers who wish to appear in subsequent recruitment examination will be granted only short leave covering the period up to the examination only and not for preparation of the exam (Letter No. E(Trg)98/(19)/2 dated 09.06.2006).

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BOND FORM

To,
The President of India

Whereas I*, a Probationer in the** (hereinafter refer to as "the Probationer") being entitled subject to compliance with the** to receive from the President (hereinafter refer to as the Central Government) pay and allowances during the period in which I am training.

Now we, the Probationer and *** (hereinafter referred to as the 'surety') jointly and severally, do hereby, in pursuance of the said rules, promise and agree in the event of the failure of the Probationer to complete probation to the satisfaction of the Central Government or on withdrawal from training or probation, to refund to Central Government on demand any moneys paid to him, including the pay and allowances, travelling expenses to join appointment and all expenses that shall or may have been incurred by the Central Government for the probationary training.

The surety hereby agrees that his liability hereunder shall not be affected by the Central Government extending the period of probation or giving the Probationer an extension of time for payment of or compounding the amount payable hereunder.

Stamp duty payable on this bond shall be borne and paid by the Government.

Dated this......................day of 201 .

Signature of Probationer

Signed by the Probationer in the presence of

Name of witness.................................Address.........................................Occupation

Signature of the surety

Signed by the surety in the presence of

Name of witness.................................

Occupation...........................................

* The full name and address of the probationer should be inserted.
** The reference of Recruitment Rules concerned.
** The surety is requested to insert his full name and address and occupation.

I* whose signature is appended to the above agreement as surety, do hereby declare that I am

** (a) in the permanent service of the Government of India

or

** (b) ordinarily resident in India and that I possess means which will enable me to repay to the Central Government the sums of money referred to in the event of my being called upon to do in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

Signature of the surety

Signed by the surety in the presence

Name of witness

Occupation

* The surety is requested to insert his full name
* One of these should be struck out.
DECLARATION TO BE OBTAINED FROM NEW ENTRANTS TO RAILWAYS SERVICE.

I, Shri/Shrimati/Kumari declare as under:-

*** (i) that I am unmarried/ a widow/ a widower

*** (ii) that I am married and have one spouse living

*** (iii) that I have entered into or contracted a marriage with a person having a spouse living. Application for grant of exemption is enclosed.

*** (iv) that I have entered into or contracted a marriage with another person during the lifetime of my spouse. Application for grant of exemption is enclosed.

I solemnly affirm that the above declaration is true and I understand that in the event of the declaration being found to be incorrect after my appointment, I shall be liable to be dismissed from service.

DATED:

PLACE:

Signature

*** Note:- Please delete Clause/Clauses which are not applicable.