

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
RAILWAY BOARD)**

COMMERCIAL CIRCULAR NO. 52 OF 2006

No.TCI/2003/98/Rules.

New Delhi, dated 23. 6.2006

The General Managers (Comm.),
All Indian Railways.

Sub: Liberalization of Refund Rules contained under rule 213
of IRCA Coaching Tariff No. 25, Part I (Vol. I).

Based on the recommendations of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation, Rajya Sabha, Ministry of Railways have decided to liberalize certain clauses of Refund Rules, contained under Rule 213 of IRCA Coaching Tariff No. 25, Part I (Vol. I), as detailed below:

(i) Rule 213.6(1)(a): The time limits for surrendering tickets for levying flat cancellation charges under this rule shall be revised as "more than 24 hours before the scheduled departure of the train".

(ii) Rule 213.6(1)(b): The time limits for surrendering tickets for levying 25% cancellation charges under this rule shall be revised as "within 24 hours and upto 4 hours before scheduled departure of the train".

(iii) Rule 213.16 (para 2): Refund at destination station for lower class travel under this rule will be granted if the ticket, alongwith the conductor/guard/TTE certificate issued for lower class travel, is presented within two days of the date of issue of the certificate (excluding the date of issue). For example, if the certificate has been issued on 26.6.06, refund can be obtained at passenger's destination station upto 28.6.06.

(iv) Rule 213.17 (3) (i): Under this rule, the duplicate ticket (in lieu of lost/misplaced/torn/mutilated Reserved/RAC ticket) before preparation of reservation chart shall be issued on collection of only the prescribed non-refundable clerkage charge per passenger. There is no change in the rules for issue of duplicate tickets after preparation of reservation charts.

(v) Rule 213.17(4)(ii): The existing provisions contained under this rule for refunding the duplicate ticket charges at the destination station shall stand withdrawn. (Sub-rule (iii) may be re-numbered as "(ii)").

2. The above instructions shall come into effect on 1.8.2006.

3. Necessary instructions may be issued to all concerned immediately and implementation ensured. Wide publicity may also be given through various media. The issue of Gazette Notification in this regard is under process and will be sent when issued. This issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of Ministry of Railways.

(Hindi version will follow)

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