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## Shunting Signals



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## STOP

**Driver required to stop immediately.**

Both arms raised about the head (or when given by a shunter riding on a vehicle) either arm moved up or down.

Red lamp held steady at night.

Red flag or any colour lamp waved violently.

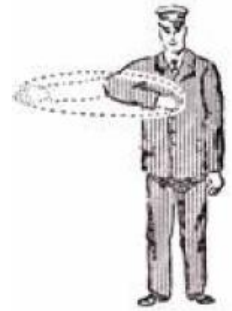
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## MOVE TOWARDS

**Driver required to move towards person giving handsignal.**

Either arm moved across and towards the body at shoulder height.

White light waved slowly side to side at night. (Green aspect used to instruct driver to slow down)



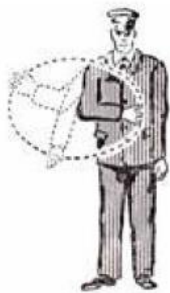
## MOVE AWAY

**Driver required to move away from the person giving handsignal.**

Either arm moved in a circular manor away from the body.

White light waved slowly up and down at night. (Green aspect used to instruct driver to slow down)

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## SLOW DOWN

**Driver required to slow down.**

Either arm held in a horizontal position with the hand moved up and down.



## CREATE VACUUM

**Driver required to create a vacuum.**

One arm with clenched fist moved vertically up and down above shoulder level.

Red light moved vertically up and down above shoulder level at night.



## **Shunting with Radios**

Radios must be used there if there is any likelihood of the Driver losing sight of the Shunter during movements. The shunter must speak clearly and continuously to the driver. Should there be a break in the transmission the driver must **stop** immediately. No movements must be started until the appropriate instruction is given.

## **Audible Signals.**

In some circumstances audible signals may be given by the guard or shunter. These should be used as follows:

One – Stop

Two - Go Ahead

Three - Set Back

## **Shunting hints and tips.**

- If the driver or fireman/secondman loses site of the shunter then you must **STOP**.
- Always give a clear handsignal and make sure only the person you intend to give it to receives it.
- Make sure that vehicles are safe to move and all shore power lines are disconnected
- Any persons working on, in or near vehicles are warned to move clear before movements begin.
- Road vehicles and any other equipment or obstructions must be clear.
- Make sure walkways are kept free from tripping hazards.
- Permission must be received from the Signaller to shunt where required.
- **COME TO A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING WITH EVERYONE INVOLVED BEFORE YOU COMMENCE ANY SHUNTING.**