

# Stacking Permission

## **Guidelines: (with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2007)**

1. Advance stacking of goods at railway premises may be permitted by Zonal Railways without levy of any charge for this purpose.
2. DRMs will notify detailed instructions for advance stacking of goods at stations on their divisions in accordance with the guidelines prescribed herein. Such instructions should inter-alia include names of stations/goods sheds where advance stacking will be permitted, number of days for which tacking can be permitted, type of commodities which can be stacked/restricted etc.
3. Divisions may specify different stacking periods for different stations, but in no case the stacking period will exceed five days.
4. Permission for advance stacking will be granted to such rail users only, who have indented for the wagons.
5. Rail users desirous of availing the facility of advance stacking, will apply for advance stacking inter alia mentioning the details of indent and giving an undertaking that the stacking will be done at their own risk and responsibility. No claims for loss, damage etc. arising out of stacking will be admissible.
6. Sr.DCMs in consultation with Sr.DOMs will be authorised to grant permission for advance stacking up to a maximum period of five days. Permission for advance stacking may be granted keeping in view the traffic pattern, availability of space etc. at the station/goods shed concerned. Advance stacking should not lead to hold up of other inward and outward traffic.
7. Records of particulars (e.g. date, time of stacking etc.) should be maintained in all cases where advance stacking has been permitted.
8. Wagons will be supplied against the registered indent only after expiry of the permitted time for advance stacking or completion of stacking, whichever is earlier. After supply of wagons, rules for levy of wharfage charge will apply.
9. Once advance stacking permission has been granted, cancellation of indents will not be permissible upto ten days from the first day of advance stacking. In case Rail User cancels the indent within

aforesaid period, stacking charge will be levied for the whole period of stacking.

10. However, if a Rail user cancels his indent after ten days from the first day of advance stacking and the wagons have not been supplied till such time, no stacking charge will be levied. In such case, consignment should be removed within 24 hours of the cancellation of indent, else it will attract levy of wharfage charge for period beyond 24 hours of the cancellation of indent.
11. No stacking charge will be levied till the supply of wagons even if supply is not done immediately after completion of stacking or lapse of advance stacking period.(for instance, if stacking permission is given for four days and the wagons are supplied on 7<sup>th</sup> day from first day of stacking, no stacking charge shall be levied for 5<sup>th</sup> day and 6<sup>th</sup> day).
12. Stacking charge will be levied at the rates of wharfage charge, as prescribed and as amended from time to time.
13. Extant rules for waiver of wharfage charge will continue to apply in the case of waiver of stacking charge also.