



Rail Industry Worker Roles Contractor Compliance with National Roles

In simplifying the Rail Industry Worker system and the application of roles, John Holland Rail Country Regional Network (JHR CRN) require contractors to use national roles where they have been agreed to at the national level.

From 10 March 2017, where there are roles agreed at a national level, all new contractors and new role applications will need to be submitted against the national role.

For contractors with existing JHR CRN roles you will need to transfer your JHR CRN role to the relevant national role by 30 September 2017.

1. What does this mean?

From 10 March 2017, where a national role now exists, the same JHR CRN role will be made inactive. If you hold a JHR CRN role, it will still be visible; however, you will be required to transition to the national role by 30 September 2017.

2. What roles in Onsite are now National Roles?

A copy of the ARA national competency matrix is available at the below link:

https://ara.net.au/sites/default/files/u16/National%20Track%20and%20Civil%20Matrix_v10_11.0_4.16_0.pdf

3. What if I am applying for a Rail Industry Worker card? What roles do I select?

If applying for a Rail Industry Worker card, the process for application remains unchanged. You will need to select the role that fits the rail safety work to be carried out. If the role you are performing is not yet nationalised, a JHR CRN role will need to be selected.

You MUST also select the CRN – Operator on Track role when applying for JHR CRN or National Roles.

4. What if I already have a Rail Industry Worker card, and need to add

new roles?

As per item 3, you will need to select the national role (where available), and the CRN – Operator on Track role, if you do not already have this in your records.

5. What if I have an existing track and civil role, specific to a rail operator, and need to transition to the national role?

You will need to add the relevant national role to your profile in the Rail Industry Worker portal. If you meet all the requirements of the national role, you will not need to do anything further. The role will be recognised as a result of evidence already submitted with the rail operator. If you have a gap to the requirements of the National role, you will be highlighted as working towards the role, and provided with instructions on how to transition prior to the compliance date of 30 September 2017.

Please note, competencies obtained under the TDT Training Package, will be mapped to the TLI Framework.

6. What if I already have a Rail Industry Worker card and my competencies are expiring?

If you have competencies' within your JHR CRN role expiring between 10 March 2017 and 30 September 2017, you will need to transition to the national role before 30 September 2017.

7. What if I already have a Rail Industry Worker card? Do I need to have the national roles? When does this need to be done by?

If you have JHR CRN roles, and there is a national role available, you will need to transition to the national role by 30 September 2017 (unless you have an expiring competency which means transitioning earlier than 30 September 2017). Note the CRN – Operator on Track role also needs to be selected.



8. Why is there CRN – Operator on Track Role?

While each rail operator has nationally agreed on minimum competencies within certain roles, there are some additional requirements that each rail operator needs to see evidence of, which are over and above the national roles, should you wish to work on their network. For JHR CRN, these additional requirements within the CRN – Operator on Track role are:

- CRN HSE Induction;
- Medical and drug and alcohol screen;
- OHS – WHS Work Safely in Construction Industry; or OHS-WHS Induction.Construction (White Card);
- GMR 1-11;
- Safely Access the Rail Corridor: RISI; Track Safety Awareness; or Transport for NSW Gold Card.

9. What if I have already obtained the national role for the work I am performing, but I was contracting to another rail operator? Will JHR CRN accept this role?

Yes, JHR CRN will recognise the national role that you hold, as long as it is for the work you are performing for JHR CRN. You will need to ensure though, that you hold the CRN – Operator on Track role

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