

## Safety Alert: SA-24-002

<b>Title:</b>	MTS Protection Officer Level 2/4 Job Role			<b>SAFETY CRITICAL CATEGORY</b>  <span style="color: red; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">ROUTINE</span>
<b>Applicable Date:</b>	<b>From:</b>	<b>28/05/2024</b>	<b>To:</b>	
<b>Approved by:</b>	Melissa Northey, Head of Safety, Quality, Risk & Environment			
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<b>Location:</b>	Network Wide			
<b>Distribution:</b>	MTS Staff and Contractors			

This Safety Alert aims to inform MTS staff and contractors about updates regarding the competency prerequisites for Protection Officer 2 and Protection Officer 4 operating within the MTS Network.

For the context of MTS Protection Officer competencies, the MTS Network encompasses any area where MTS holds accreditation as the Rail Transport Operator (RTO) and the Rail Infrastructure Manager (RIM).

Effective from **14 June 2024**, MTS staff and contractors are only permitted to undertake Protection Officer responsibilities within the MTS Network if they hold either the MTS Protection Officer Level 2 and/or MTS Protection Officer Level 4 job role.

**Note:**

Staff and contractors designated as MTS Protection Officer 2 and/or 4 are not authorised to perform Protection Officer duties outside the MTS Network unless they obtain approval from the relevant Rail Transport Operator, as they may have additional business requirements.

**Action required:**

- MTS Protection Officer 2 or 4 job roles must be assigned to the workers RIW card
- This must be completed by **14 June 2024**.

**MTS Protection Officer 2 & 4 Job Role pre-requisites:**

MTS PO Job Role Requirement	Notes
MTS Qualified Worker (MIRS/MESA/SARC)	Online SARC by Pinnacle and/or TLIF2080 and/or TLIF0020 is accepted to meet the SARC requirement
Protection Officer Training – National Units of Competency	Current Protection Officer training offered by RTOs aligned to National Units of Competencies
MTS PO Bridging Course	Face to Face training, managed by MTS Training Team. Booking via <a href="mailto:mtstraining@metrotrains-sydney.com.au">mtstraining@metrotrains-sydney.com.au</a>
Safety Critical Communications in the rail environment	TLIF0008 Apply safety critical communications in the rail environment
General Construction Induction Card (White Card) - SafeWork NSW	CPCWHS1001 and/or previously accepted TLI
Category 1 Medical	Health Assessment Category requirement for a Protection Officer

If you have any questions regarding the above requirements, please contact the MTS Training Team via [mtstraining@metrotrains-sydney.com.au](mailto:mtstraining@metrotrains-sydney.com.au), the MTS Safety Team via [mtssafety@metrotrains-sydney.com.au](mailto:mtssafety@metrotrains-sydney.com.au) and/or Kay Yates [kay.yates@metrotrains-sydney.com.au](mailto:kay.yates@metrotrains-sydney.com.au)

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