

PASSENGERS

24. Reserved Seats

1. **General**—(a) Passengers holding rail tickets and travelling by the undermentioned trains, may reserve seats free of charge subject to the provisions of section 30:

(i) By the night "Limited" express trains between Auckland and Wellington:

Provided that seats will not be reserved for a journey of less than 100 miles except between Auckland and Frankton and between Palmerston North and Wellington.

(ii) By all other express trains.

(iii) By such other passenger trains and railcar services as the General Manager may determine.

(b) Seats will not be reserved for any journey to be made between any two stations within a suburban area for holders of tickets issued under the provisions of sections 5, 32, 33, 34, or 35.

(c) Not more than one seat will be reserved for each passenger.

(d) Seats may be reserved at any station where there is an officer in charge, or at authorised booking agencies. The Department reserves the right to cancel trains or alter train timetables without notice, and reservations of seats will be made subject to such cancellation or alteration.

2. **Time of Application**—Applications for the reservations of seats will be received as under:

(a) At the station from which the train commences its journey – not later than one hour before the timetable time of departure of the train.

(b) At other stations or offices – not later than two and a half hours before the timetable time of departure of the train from the original starting station.

3. **Surcharges**—Any person failing to occupy a seat reserved in accordance with his application or failing to give notification to a railway booking office or agency not later than six working hours (calculated between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.) prior to the scheduled departure of the train from its starting station of his intention not to occupy such seat, shall pay a surcharge on the following basis:

Length of Journey	Surcharge
Up to 100 miles	30
Over 100 miles	50

In the case of a seat reserved for a child under 15 years of age the full surcharge will be payable. A deduction of 30 miles will be made on bulk travel vouchers in respect of any seat reservation surcharges.

4. **Special Conditions**—Notwithstanding anything contained in these provisions, the Department shall have the right to reserve any railway carriage, compartment, or seat on any train for any person or persons for any distance.

25. Sleeping-berths

1. **General**—Sleeping-berth tickets will be issued only to passengers travelling by night express trains between Auckland and Wellington and between Christchurch and Invercargill.

Except as provided hereafter, not more than one person will be allowed to occupy any one berth. In no case will more than two children be permitted to occupy the same berth.

2. **Charges—Sleeping-berths**: One full sleeping-berth ticket at a charge of \$3.25 must be held for each berth occupied.

In the case of bulk travel vouchers, a deduction of 200 miles will be made for each sleeping-berth ticket issued.

Rail Tickets—In addition to the sleeping-berth charge referred to above, passengers will require to hold first-class rail tickets as follows:

One adult	} One full rail ticket.
One child 15 years of age and over	
Parent or guardian occupying one berth with a child under 4 years of age	} One full and one half rail tickets.
Parent or guardian occupying one berth with a child over 4 years and under 15 years of age	
A child 4 years and under 15 years of age (sole occupant)	} Half rail ticket.
A child under 4 years of age (sole occupant)	
Two children, one under 4 years, and one 15 years of age or over (in one berth)	} One full rail ticket (equivalent to half fare for each child).
Two children, each over 4 years and under 15 years of age (in one berth)	
Two children, one under 4 years, and one under 15 years of age (in one berth)	} Half rail ticket (equivalent to quarter fare for each child).
Two children, each under 4 years of age (in one berth)	