

3. **Conditions**—(a) Sleeping-berth tickets are not transferable, and are not available for break of journey.

(b) Passengers who hold sleeping-berth tickets must claim their berths not later than 15 minutes after the departure of the train from the terminal or intermediate station at which they are booked to join such train.

(c) Sleeping carriages will, as far as possible, be reserved for the use of passengers holding sleeping-berth tickets. The department reserves to itself the right to require passengers holding sleeping-berth tickets to ride in the sleeping-carriages throughout the journey. The department also reserves to itself the right to accommodate any passengers not holding sleeping-berth tickets in the sleeping carriages until it is necessary to make up berths for the night, when passengers who have not been allotted sleeping accommodation must move to another part of the train.

4. **Ordering and Allotment of Berths**—(a) Sleeping-berths 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 and alter train timetables without notice, and reservations of sleeping-berths will be made subject to such cancellation or alteration.

(b) Application for the reservation of sleeping-berths will be received as under:

(i) At the station from which the train commences its journey—not later than 1 hour before the timetable time of departure of the train from the starting station.

(ii) At other stations or offices—not later than 2½ hours before the timetable time of departure of the train from the original starting station.

(c) Passengers who have not reserved berths may obtain berthing on application to guard of train after train has left starting station, provided there are berths available.

(d) When a passenger books a sleeping-berth, the station at which he will join the train must be stated. If the passenger later desires to join at a different station, he must notify the original joining station before the train arrives there.

(e) The department reserves to itself the right to re-allot a sleeping-berth which has been reserved and has not been claimed by the passenger within 15 minutes after the departure of the train from the station for which the berth was reserved, or in any case in which the notice specified in the preceding paragraph is not given.

(f) The department will as far as possible adhere to its original allotment of sleeping-berths, but reserves the right to change the allotment of sleeping-berths in order to distribute the available berths to the best advantage or for any other reason considered by the department to be sufficient. The department does not undertake to provide sleeping accommodation.

5. **Cancellation of Berths**—Passengers who desire to cancel sleeping-berths previously paid for may be permitted to do so, and, provided application for refund or transfer is made not later than 4 hours prior to the scheduled departure time of train from the starting station, will be granted a refund of the sleeping-berth fee less the deduction prescribed in section 31, or a transfer if required.