

16. 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 36:

- (i) By all express trains.
- (ii) 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 24 or 39.

(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.

(e) The reservation of a whole or half carriage will be by special arrangement.

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.
- (c) Passengers may not join the *Silver Star*, *Silver Fern*, *Northerner*, *Blue Streak*, *Endeavour* or *Southerner* services without a berth or seat having been allocated. When accommodation is available, berth or seat allocations may be obtained up to the time of departure from each stopping station.

3. 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.

17. Reserved for Future Use