

Railroad Jobs Summary

Railroad Job	Job Description
Block Operators	control trackage without interlockings at stations in steam era
Brakeman	assists the conductor. member of crew and yard drill teams
Conductor	in charge of train. member of crew and yard drill teams
Dispatcher	controls mainline train movement. readies turnouts ahead of train. rese
Engineer	train driver. member of crew and yard drill teams
Fireman	stokes steam engine with coal. member of crew and yard drill teams
Flagman	a.k.a. rear brakeman. rides in caboose. member of crew and yard drill
Freight Agent	yardmaster role as well as freight manager
Gen-Superintendent	General Superintendent is in charge of a large railroad
Head Brakeman	rides in locomotive. member of crew and yard drill teams
Hostler	operate and prepare locomotive between engine facility and yard
Power Desk	a.k.a. roundhouse foreman. ensures appropriate locomotives are avail
RoundhouseForeman	supervises Hostlers; determines allocation of locomotive(s) to specific
Rules Examiner	instructs all on the operating rules of the railroad
Superintendent	in charge of a railroad division
Switchman	assists yardmaster in large yards
Towerman	controls interlockings in steam era.
Trainmaster	supervises dispatchers, yardmasters, and train crews in an area within
Yardmaster	directs the yard drill teams