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USE OF PERSONEL ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

It has been well documented that the use of personal electronic equipment has been cause for concern in several industrial accidents. Railroad operations are an extremely hazardous operation that requires full attention of train crews to prevent accidents and injuries to museum visitors and train crews. To this end, all museum personnel are prohibited from using any cell phone, PDA, blackberry, portable game console or similar device while engaged in the performance of their duties during train operations. This rule applies to ALL Passenger Train and Run-A-Locomotive Operations.

Such devices that are in the possession of train crew members must be <u>completely turned off</u> while members are in and about their train whether it is moving or stationary.

This rule also applies to all Yard Switching Operations conducted while the museum is open to the public.

In the event of an emergency in or about a train, whether stationary or moving, train crew members may use such devices to contact emergency services vithout being in violation of this rule.

This rule does not preclude a member of the train crew from using such a device during breaks or between train operations when the member is not actively engaged in train operations.

As used in the above rule, "train crew members' refer to Enginemen, Trainmen, switch tenders and crossing guards, as well as Hostlers and Run-A-Locomotive Engineers.

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