

(भारत सरकार) GOVERNMENT OF INDIA)

(रेल मंत्रालय) MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS)

(रेलवे बोर्ड RAILWAY BOARD)

(Commercial Circular No. 31 of 2016)

No.TC-II/2910/2016/OH/Policy

New Delhi, dated 06.06.2016

The General Managers,
All Zonal Railways.

SUB: Booking of concessional tickets for Orthopaedically handicapped/Paraplegic and Mentally retarded persons not accompanied by an escort.

As per IRCA Coaching Tariff No. 26 part-I (Vol.II) 25 and 29(1) concession in passenger fare is admissible to Orthopaedically handicapped/paraplegic persons and Mentally retarded persons who cannot travel without the assistance an escort. At present, Concessional tickets are issued only with an escort.

2. It has been directed by Hon'ble High Court of Madras that "the disabled persons who are not accompanied by an escort should not be denied the concession for the disabled"
3. Ministry of Railways have decided to implement the judgement of Hon'ble High Court of Madras for booking of concessional tickets for Orthopaedically handicapped/Paraplegic and Mentally retarded persons not accompanied by an escort. The existing and revised rule for booking/travelling shall be as under:-

Categories	Existng Rule	Revised Rule
Orthopaedically Handicapped/ Paraplegic persons.	Orthopaedically Handicapped/ Paraplegic persons who cannot travel without escort – for any purpose.	Orthopaedically Handicapped/ Paraplegic persons who cannot travel without an escort – for any purpose. However they will be allowed to book concessional ticket with or without an escort.
Mentally retarded persons	Mentally retarded persons who cannot travel without escort - for any purpose.	Mentally retarded persons who cannot travel without an escort - for any purpose. However, they will be allowed to book concessional ticket with or without escort.

4. This will be implemented with effect from 15.06.2016.
5. Other terms and conditions shall remain the same.
6. CRIS may make necessary changes in the software.
7. This issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of Ministry of Railways.
8. Necessary instructions should be issued to all concerned.

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Director Passenger Marketing
Railway Board

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1. The Dy. Comptroller & Auditor General of India (Railways), Room No.224, Rail Bhavan, New Delhi.
2. The FA&CAOs, All Indian Railways.
3. The Principal Director of Audit, all Indian Railways.

for Financial Commissioner/Railways

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1. CCMs, All Indian Railways.
2. CCM (PM)s, All Indian Railways.
3. CRB, MT, FC, Secretary, DG/RHS, Railway Board.
4. MD, Centre for Railway Information System (CRIS), Chanakyapuri, Near National Rail Museum, New Delhi, for making necessary changes in the PRS and UTS softwares.
5. MD, IRCTC, 9th Floor, Bank of Baroda Building, 16, Sansad Marg, N.Delhi.
6. Director General, Railway Staff College, Vadodara.
7. Managing Director, Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd., Belapur Bhavan, Plot No. 6, Sector 11, CBD Belapur, Navi Mumbai - 400 014.
8. General Manager, Metro Railway, 33/1, J.L. Nehru Road, Kolkata.
9. Chief Commissioner of Railway Safety, Lucknow.
10. General Secretary, IRCA, Chelmsford Road, New Delhi for issue of necessary correction slip to Coaching Tariff No. 26 part-I (Vol.II)



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