

DUTIES OF BRAKEMAN AND CONDUCTOR (SWITCHMAN)

ELGIN, JOLIET AND EASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY

1. They are required to get on and off moving and standing equipment in all kinds of weather.
2. They climb over cars while they are standing. They climb up and down ladders while cars are moving, and at the same time must protect themselves against sudden movement or slack action in the train.
3. They set and release brakes on cars.
4. They throw switches and derails.
5. They couple air hoses. *
6. They operate uncoupling levers on cars when switching.
7. They are required to originate or pass hand and lamp signals from all sorts of positions or locations, sometimes hanging on the side of cars, sometimes standing on the ground.
8. They adjust couplers to line them up properly.
9. They walk up and down tracks and over switches in all kinds of weather. They sometimes walk extended distances.

They ride on cars and in cabooses which are subject to slack action or sudden stops.

They turn angle cocks by hand.

They assist in rerailing cars and locomotives.

They bleed air from cars by pulling the release rod.

14. When acting as Brakeman he is responsible for his safety and the safety of the other members of his crew. When acting as Conductor this responsibility is increased, in that he is accountable for the safe movement of the train, as well as the safety of all members of his crew.

They must call signal indications affecting movement of their train or engine.