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Subpart C—Protection of Trains and Locomotives

§ 218.31 Scope.

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(3) Within yard limits, movements against the current of traffic on the main tracks must not be made unless authorized and protected by train order, yardmaster, or other designated official and only under the operating restrictions prescribed in § 218.35(b)(2).

(c) Each railroad shall designate in the operating rule prescribed under paragraph (b) of this section the class

the employee in charge who provided
this information.