

CHAPTER 654
Railroads

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CROSS REFERENCES

See section histories for similar State law
 Lighting railroads - see Ohio R.C. 723.33 et seq.
 Duties of engineers - see Ohio R.C. 4999.04
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 Definitions generally - see GEN. OFF. 606.01
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654.01 OBSTRUCTING STREETS BY RAILROAD COMPANIES.

(a) No railroad company shall obstruct or permit or cause to be obstructed a public street, road or highway by permitting a railroad car, locomotive or other obstruction to remain upon or across it for longer than five minutes to the hindrance or inconvenience of travelers or a person passing along or upon such street, road or highway. No railroad company shall fail, at the end of each five minute period of obstruction of a public street, road or highway, to cause such railroad car, locomotive or other obstruction to be removed for sufficient time, not less than three minutes, to allow the passage of persons and vehicles waiting to cross.

This section does not apply to obstruction of a public street, road or highway by a continuously moving through train or caused by circumstances wholly beyond the control of the railroad company, but does apply to other obstructions, including without limitation those caused by stopped trains and trains engaged in switching, loading or unloading operations.

Upon the filing of an affidavit or complaint for violation of this section, summons shall be issued to the railroad company pursuant to Ohio R.C. 2935.10(B), which summons shall be served on the regular ticket or freight agent of the company in the county where the offense occurred. (ORC 5589.21; Ord. 2437-72. Passed 12-12-72.)

(b) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor. Punishment shall be as provided in Section 698.02.
 (ORC 5589.99(B))

654.02 CLIMBING UPON RAILROAD CARS.

(a) No person shall climb, jump, step or stand upon or cling or attach himself to a locomotive, engine or car upon the track of a railroad, unless in compliance with law

or by permission under the rules and regulations of the corporation managing such railroad. (Ord. 2437-72. Passed 12-12-72.)

(b) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor. Punishment shall be as provided in Section 698.02.