

Licence Exemption 2010 Number 18

1. The Office of Rail Regulation (ORR) exempts under section 7(3) of the Railways Act 1993:

Wealden Railway Company Limited

registered in **England and Wales** with number **01936470**

from the requirement to be authorised by licence to operate the railway assets described in paragraph 2 below.

2. This exemption applies to:

(a) the network forming the Spa Valley Railway between Birchden Junction and Eridge station *and* any extensions to this network carried out after 1 December 2010, which have been notified to ORR and in respect of which ORR has consented, *together* known as "the exempt network", that is not exempted by the Railways (Class and Miscellaneous Exemptions) Order 1994; and

(b) any train, station or light maintenance depot operated on the exempt network that is not exempted by the Railways (Class and Miscellaneous Exemptions) Order 1994.

A list of the railway assets to which this exemption applies is at Schedule 1.

3. This exemption is valid from 1 December 2010.

4. ORR may revoke the whole or any part of this exemption:

(a) if the exemption holder is granted another licence or exemption for the operation of all or some of the railway assets to which this exemption applies; or

(b) if ORR suspects on reasonable grounds that the exemption holder has operated a railway asset without a necessary licence or exemption; or

(c) if all or some of the railway assets to which this exemption applies are not used for at least one year; or

(d) if the exemption holder ceases to be the operator of all or some of the assets to which this exemption applies; or

(e) by agreement in writing with the exemption holder.



Signed by authority of ORR

1 December 2010



Schedule 1

The assets to which this exemption applies are:

Asset	Date
1. Any train, station or light maintenance depot covered by paragraph 2b of this exemption.	1 December 2010
2. The network forming the Spa Valley Railway between Birchden Junction and Eridge station on 1 December 2010 that is not exempted by the Railways (Class and Miscellaneous Exemptions) Order 1994.	1 December 2010