

**Alberta Industrial Railway Regulation – Circular 4**  
**Guideline for the Inspection of Low Usage Locomotives (LUL) & High Usage Locomotives (HUL)**  
**Part B – Locomotive Safety Assurance**

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**1.0 – Inspection Requirement for Low Usage Locomotives (LUL)**

As part of their ongoing maintenance, a locomotive designated as an LUL by a railway must:

- a. Conduct pre-use inspections;
- b. Conduct 45 day safety inspections;
- c. Conduct annual inspections;
- d. Equip each LUL with an electric hour meter;
- e. Equip the hour meter with a tamper evident tape or witness wire;
- f. Use a log book to record the daily running time;
- g. Audit the inspection reports as part of the SMS audit requirement;

**1.1 – Inspection Requirement for High Usage Locomotives (HUL)**

As part of their ongoing maintenance, a locomotive designated as HUL by a railway must:

- a. Conduct pre-use inspections;
- b. Conduct 45 day safety inspections;
- c. Conduct 92 day inspection;
- d. Conduct annual inspections; and
- e. Audit the inspection reports as part of the SMS audit requirement.

**1.2 - Exceeding 1100 Hours in Less Than One Calendar Year**

When a LUL designated locomotive exceeds 1100 hours in a calendar year the locomotive will automatically revert to operating under HUL inspection guidelines for the remainder of the calendar year.

**1.3- Switching Designations between LUL and HUL**

A locomotive designated as an LUL locomotive can only switch to an HUL locomotive once during any calendar year.

