

8830.1500 BELLS.

Subpart 1. **Use required; exception.** A grade-crossing bell, when installed, is used to provide an audible warning and serves as a supplement to an active warning device. Bells must be used at all grade crossings with active warning devices. Requests for exceptions to this requirement must be submitted to the commissioner by the road authority. The commissioner shall grant an exception only at a grade crossing that is not used by bicyclists or pedestrians.

Subp. 2. **Function requirements.** The bell must sound a warning during the time the flashing light units are operating, except it may be silenced when the head end of the train reaches the crossing or when the gate arm has descended to within ten degrees of horizontal when gates are used.

Subp. 3. **Standard.** When installing bells, the rail carrier shall comply with the AREMA signal manual.

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