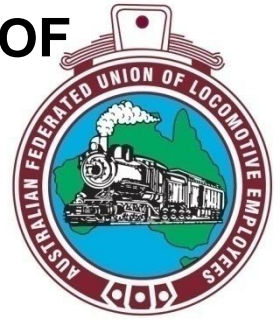


# AUSTRALIAN FEDERATED UNION OF LOCOMOTIVE EMPLOYEES



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## Clarification of Aurizon Shift Lengths

Dear Traincrew,

Aurizon recently released a table of shift lengths (attached) that proved to be no more than confusing for all concerned. Your Agreement overrules all hours that the Rail Regulator allows for rail operations. Wherever an Agreement has better working conditions than a regulation, the Agreement conditions prevail and vice versa.

I have highlighted what the current maximum shift lengths are for Aurizon traincrew. The 4 hours car travel does not affect you and you should not be asked to work any hours beyond 12 for a TDO crew. [Click Here](#) to download the attachment as a printable version.

ONRSR (the regulator) has requested a meeting with your state office next week to discuss the fatigue legislation further as the AFULE and Aurizon have had differing interpretations of the legislation since its commencement on July 1 2017. There are some shift limitations that have been highlighted in the attached document that we also do not agree with but those are the rules until such time the regulator corrects them.

We hope to get definitive answers to our outstanding concerns on Tuesday and we will update you accordingly.

If you have any questions, please contact our office on 07 3844 9163, email [statesecretary@afule.org.au](mailto:statesecretary@afule.org.au) or find us on Facebook.

Yours fraternally

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