

# SCIENCE MUSEUM GROUP

Railway Heritage Designation  
Advisory Board

## Designated Items Available for Transfer (Nov 2022–Jan 2023)

The Railway Heritage Designation Advisory Board (RHDAB) is established by statute to ensure a secure and sustainable future for railway records and objects. The Board has the function of agreeing which institution shall hold designated records and artefacts when no longer required by the railway business that owns them.

In agreeing which institution will hold the record or artefact, the Board has set criteria for the institutions that aim to ensure the long-term safety of the items:

- That they can demonstrate the items concerned fall within their collecting policy.
- That they meet approved minimum storage standards in terms of security; fire, water and environmental control; space; and layout of site.
- That they meet approved minimum standards for public display facilities in terms of the supervised, safe inspection of items; opening hours; and the cataloguing of items open to public inspection.
- That they have an approved long-term plan.
- That there should be long-term financial security.
- That they are likely to be in a position to meet any required terms relating to payment, including any payment for transport – when such payment has not been met from another source.
- That they will acknowledge the status of the item as having been designated under the Railway Heritage Act 1996 in any literature, labelling and publicity material

Our aim is that transferred items remain in the public domain and we give priority to accredited museums who wish to acquire these items.

The objects listed on the following pages are available for transfer. The closing date for applications is **Wednesday 25 January 2023**. If you would like more information or are interested in acquiring an object from the Transfers list, please email us at [smgrailheritage@sciencemuseum.ac.uk](mailto:smgrailheritage@sciencemuseum.ac.uk) and include the following information:

- The object number and description
- How your institution meets the above criteria
- A description of how you intend to use the object(s) and how this will benefit the public
- An explanation of how you will ensure the long-term care of the object(s)
- The organisation that you are representing, including the type of organisation (i.e. accredited museum, charitable trust)
- Full contact details

For further information on RHDAB, please visit:

<https://www.sciencemuseumgroup.org.uk/about-us/railway-heritage-designation-advisory-board/>

## Items Available for Transfer

Designation number	Description	Image
2022/08	Barking station sign	