

## **GL5MLA Code of Practice for GL5 Events**

The aim of our Association in running events is to create a miniature version of prototype railway operations.

- 1 All members attending events must book in advance with the Appointed Person for that event. The Application form is on the GL5 website. Failure to pre-book may result in a refusal to run.
- 2 At each event there will be nominated named members to undertake the following roles  
a) Receive bookings b) Responsible Officer c) Recording of boiler certificates/electric loco control and register of stock d) Yard Master e) Running programme for locos and trains.
- 3 All participants in our events must be paid up members of GL5MLA.
- 4 Steam locomotives **MUST** hold a current boiler certificate issued by the Federation of Societies of Model Engineers. Radio controlled locos must conform to the GL5MLA guidelines 'Radio control of electrically powered locomotives' available on the GL5 website.
- 5 Steam locomotive drivers must provide their own coal.
- 6 All locomotives and rolling stock must be closely modelled on a known prototype as specified in the Constitution ( Website ).
- 7 All stock must comply with all of GL5MLA standards in relation to draw gear, wheel profiles etc as listed on the website and locomotives should be fitted with secure couplings between the locomotive and driving truck.
- 8 Headlamp codes should be displayed on locomotives and brake vans. See the website for codes in current use.
- 9 Driving trucks must be braked and should preferably be based on a known prototype of rolling stock.
- 10 Scale speeds for trains and light locomotives must be adhered to (see website).
- 11 Members should wear appropriate attire for the event eg. high vis clothing is not allowed.
- 12 Attention to detail is important to all. Timely use of water columns and coaling for steam locos should be as prototypical as possible.
- 13 In the event of a dispute the decision of the Responsible Officer and a Committee member is final.
- 14 The GL5MLA Complaints Procedure requires that complaints are received in writing by the Secretary within two weeks of the dispute.
- 15 Small traders are encouraged to display goods that are appropriate to the objectives of the Association.