

**Chapter PSC 83****SWITCH TARGETS AND SWITCH LIGHTS  
ON STEAM RAILROADS****PSC 83.01 Switch targets and lights**

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(1) Equip and maintain all main track switches on both main and branch lines with stands and targets suitable for day indications, except for such isolated cases as locations in station platforms, adjacent to other tracks, or similar situations where it is impracticable or unsafe so to do and also, where necessary, in automatic block territory.

(2) Equip and maintain all main track switches on both main and branch lines with switch lights suitable for night indications, except as noted above for switch targets, except on trailing point switches in automatic block territory, and except for such places or for such seasons of the year as the number of trains operating during any period between sunset and sunrise shall be not more than two per week; provided, however, that any railroad operating trains in this state may substitute reflectorized switch lamps in place of oil-burning switch lamps upon application to the commission specifying the particular switch or switches and the location thereof at which the substitution is proposed to be made and upon receiving the approval of such substitution. Notice of such application will be given and if requested within 20 days of such notice, a hearing will be held, otherwise the application may be disposed of by informal approval.