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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
RAILWAY BOARD**

No. E(W)96PS5-8/2

New Delhi, Dt. 9 .05.05

The General Managers,
All Indian Railways and
Production Units.

**Sub: Provision of companion in lieu of attendant to Sr. citizens
in first class/first A Post-Retirement Complimentary Pass.**

**Ref: Board's letter of even no. dt. 5.1.99, 19.1.01, 17.2.04 and
12.7.04.**

In continuation to Board's letter of even no. dt. 12.4.05, it is further clarified that the companion provided to first class/first 'A' pass holder senior citizens may be of any age, i.e. there is no age restriction for the companion. Other terms and conditions stipulated in Board's letters referred to above shall remain the same.

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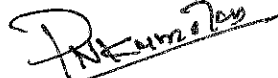
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Railways are already aware that retired railway employee who are above 65 years age are allowed to take a companion along with them subject to the condition that no eligible family Member below the age of 65 years travels along with retired railway employee and that both the pass holder and the companion travel in sleeper class. Provision has also been made for travel of the companion in higher class on payment of difference of fare between sleeper class and higher class.

Complaints have been received from various quarters that when the retired railway employees are taking companion along with them who are below the age of 65 years are being harassed by the ticket checking staff on the ground that they are not eligible to take a companion who are below the age of 65 years. In the extant instructions there is no such condition that the companion should be below the age of retired railway employee. In view of the above position it is requested that instructions on the subject may be reiterated and it may be ensured that retired railway employees are not subjected to harassment by ticket checking staff on this account.

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