

STEAM ERA LOCOMOTIVE LAMPS

In the steam and early diesel era, the trains, the trains make-up and its purpose (therefore the trains operating priority within the system) were defined by a pattern of lamps placed on the loco's buffer beam (or, with tank locos, the leading end).

The lamp pattern told the signal men what kind of train it was, its likely running speed between signal boxes and, of course, its "line priority". Slow freight trains could then be easily shunted aside to allow top link passenger or express freight services to run uninterrupted and stay on time!

Correct lamps are an important part of railway modelling!



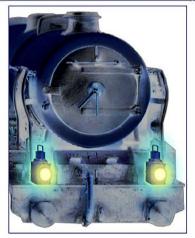
DCCconcepts offers a range of accurately modelled lamps in both LMS/BR "Square" (also usable for GWR) and LNER "Round "types (also usable for Southern).

Sold in packs of 6, these remarkable little lamps are available with white or red micro-LEDs ... or for guards vans, with both red and white LEDs installed.

They are very much to scale, easy to install and a delight to use, even featuring a hinged handle. They are supplied with resistors & compatible with AC, DC or DCC power.



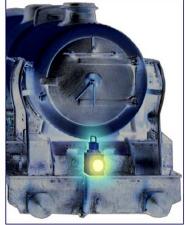
The ROYAL Train



Express Passenger Train



Through Freight or Ballast Train



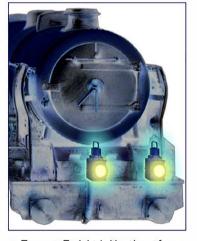
Light Engine or "Locomotive plus Brake vans" only



Through Mineral Train or an empty Wagon Train



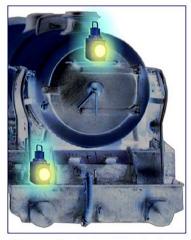
Parcels, Fish, Livestock, Milk Fruit or Perishables Train, with <u>all</u> Rolling stock XP or rated for use at express speed



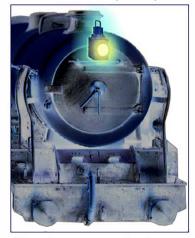
Express Freight (with at least four through-brake fitted vehicles adjacent the locmotive or a short unfitted express train)



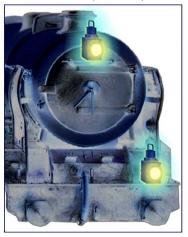
Pick-up or Branch freight or a Mineral/Ballast train on a short haul run.



Express Freight or Livestock train with minimum 30% XP or braked stock adjacent to loco



Stopping Passenger Train or Railmotor or Breakdown train returning from a job



Express freight, all unfitted (no continuous brake) stock

PLEASE NOTE:

GWR square lamps are similar to LMS, but with the handle set across, not front to rear.

Lamps were most often black pre WW2, and trended to white during and after WW2.

Please - if you do want to paint them white, weather them a bit as pure white lamps look very toy-like!

The Southern Railway did things differently in many ways, so please check if you are a Southern modeller!