

HOUSATONIC RAILROAD

LIST OF TRAINS

Scheduled Trains:

Train 4

Passenger Southbound 1st Class
Originates: Canaan
Via: Hawleyville
Destination: Wilson Point

Train 4 makes all regular stops to Wilson Point.

Meets Train 5 at Wilton at 6:33 AM

Train 5

Passenger Northbound 1st Class
Originates: Wilson Point
Via: Danbury
Destination: Canaan

Train 5 makes all regular passenger stops to Canaan.

Meets Train 10 at Dock Yard at 6:13 AM

Meets Train 4 at Wilton at 6:33 AM

Meets Train 6 at Wilton at 6:47 AM

Meets Train 8 at Branchville at 7:03 AM

Train 6

Passenger Southbound 1st Class
Originates: Danbury
Destination: Wilson Point

Train 8 makes limited stops to Wilson Point –

Danbury Main St., Danbury White St., Bethel, Georgetown, Wilton, Wall St., Wilson Point.

Meets Train 5 at Wilton at 6:47 AM

Train 8

Passenger Southbound 1st Class
Originates: Canaan
Via: Danbury
Destination: Wilson Point

Train 8 makes all regular stops to Wilson Point.

Meets Train 5 at Branchville at 7:03 AM
Meets Train 9 at Dock Yard at 7:35 AM

Train 9

Passenger Northbound 1st Class
Originates: Wilson Point
Via: Danbury
Destination: Canaan

Train 9 makes all regular stops to Canaan.

Meets Train 8 at Dock Yard at 7:35 AM

Train 10 - Early Milk

Accommodation Southbound 1st Class
Originates: Canaan
Via: Danbury
Destination: Wilson Point

The Early Milk picks up milk and ice and meets the early float for New York City.
Passengers may board rider coach / combine at milks stops.

Meets rain 5 at Dock Yard at 6:13 AM

Carfloat pushes from Wilson Point Pier at 6:40 AM

Train 17

Passenger Northbound 1st Class
Originates: Wilson Point
Destination: Danbury

Train 17 makes all regular stops to Danbury.

Train 26

Passenger Southbound 1st Class
Originates: Ridgefield
Via: Branchville
Destination: Wilson Point

Train 26 makes all regular stops to Wilson Point.

Train 27

Passenger Northbound 1st Class
Originates: Wilson Point
Via: Branchville
Destination: Ridgefield

Train 26 makes all regular stops to Ridgefield.

Train 30

Passenger Southbound 1st Class
Originates: Canaan
Via: Danbury
Destination: Wilson Point

Train 30 makes all regular stops to Wilson Point.

Train 31

Passenger Northbound 1st Class
Originates: Wilson Point
Via: Danbury
Destination: Canaan

Train 31 makes all regular stops to Canaan.

Train 108

Mixed Southbound 2nd Class
Originates: Ridgefield
Destination: Branchville

Train 108 makes all regular stops to Branchville.

Train 108 is the daily mixed freight from Ridgefield, connecting to the main line. A rider coach or combine is included for passengers. After arriving at Branchville it becomes the local shifter job and switches local tracks and industries, also exchanges cars with the Branchville Local. When done, it lays over until after 2 PM when it returns to Branchville as Train 109 with the rider coach, where it terminates. The Dispatcher may elect use this crew while on duty as an extra for priority freight movements to Ridgefield if called for.

Train 109

Mixed Northbound 2nd Class
Originates: Branchville
Destination: Ridgefield

Train 109 makes all regular stops to Ridgefield. A rider coach or combine is included for passengers.

Train 109 is the return movement of Train 108. See Train 108 description for details.

Train 302

Freight Southbound 3rd Class
Originates: Danbury Main St. Yard
Destination: Wilson Point

Train 302 represents a freight schedule that can be applied to any southbound freight train between Danbury Main St. Yard and Wilson Point.

Extra Trains:

Priority Manifest

Time Freight – Southbound
Originates: Danbury Main St. Yard
Destination: Wilson Point

Handles express freight, mail to New York City and New Jersey destinations by carfloat. Makes a stop at Dock Yard to drop off and pick up cuts of cars if needed. Train must arrive at Wilson Point by 8:30 AM to meet New Jersey carfloat that pushes from dock at 9 AM. NYC carfloat leaves approx. 1 hour later.

Priority Manifest

Time Freight – Northbound

Originates: Wilson Point

Destination: Danbury Main St. Yard

Handles express freight, mail from New York City and New Jersey locations by carfloat.

Makes a stop at Dock Yard to drop off and pick up cuts of cars if needed.

Manifest

Time Freight – Southbound

Originates: Danbury

Destination: Wilson Point

Handles freight to Oyster Bay, Long Island by carfloat and other Southbound loads.

Train must arrive at Wilson Point by 11:40 AM to meet New Jersey carfloat that pushes from dock at 12:05 PM.

Manifest

Time Freight – Northbound

Originates: Wilson Point

Destination: Danbury

Handles freight from Oyster Bay, Long Island and other locations. Mostly loads but some empties can be handled to fill out tonnage. Makes a stop at Dock Yard to drop off and pick up cuts of cars if needed.

Drag

Low priority – Northbound

Originates: Dock Yard

Destination: Pittsfield

Departs Dock Yard with low-priority freight and empty cars. Stops at Danbury Main St. Yard and Canaan to pick up / set out cars.

18 car limit out of Dock Yard. May require helper.

Sweeper

Low-priority late freight - Southbound

Originates: Danbury

Destination: Dock Yard

Sets out from Danbury with low-priority traffic and empties and stops at all towns where ordered to do so by trainmaster to pick up or set out unhandled or misrouted cars to industries and team tracks. Brings all cars to Dock Yard for classification the next day.

This train meets the Northbound sweeper at Branchville, and crews exchange trains and return to their terminals with the other's trains.

Sweeper

Low-priority late freight - Northbound

Originates: Danbury Main St. Yard

Destination: Dock Yard

Sets out from Dock Yard with low-priority traffic and empties and stops at all towns where ordered to do so by trainmaster to pick up or set out unhandled or misrouted cars to industries and team tracks. Brings all cars to Danbury Main St. Yard for classification the next day.

This train meets the Southbound sweeper at Branchville, and crews exchange trains and return to their terminals with the other's trains.

Georgetown Turn

Local Freight

Originates: Dock Yard

Destination: Georgetown

This train is a turn and has a reciprocal movement.

Departs Dock Yard with local freight for Winnipauk, Wilton and Georgetown. Works industries, stations and team tracks at these locations. After work is completed, train changes direction and returns to Dock Yard, working trailing point sidings where necessary.

SO Turn (Standard Oil)

Originates: Dock Yard

Destination: Standard Oil Depot, Wilson Point

This train is a turn and has a reciprocal movement.

Takes empty tank cars and other freight from Dock Yard to the Standard Oil depot at Wilson Point. Pulls loads from loading tracks and spots empties. Works all freight sidings at this location. After working, train changes direction and returns to Dock Yard. This train operates within yard limits and does not report to the dispatcher, but must coordinate with the Wilson Point Yardmaster and the Dock Yard Yardmaster so as not to delay other higher-priority movements. The job is under the direct control of the Dock Yard Yardmaster and serves at his pleasure.

Gopher

This job moves constantly between Dock Yard and Wilson Point, transferring cars from the piers and warehouses at Wilson Point to Dock Yard, and vice-versa. It operates within yard limits and does not report to the dispatcher, but must coordinate with the Wilson Point Yardmaster and the Dock Yard Yardmaster so as not to delay other higher-priority movements. The job is under the direct control of the Dock Yard Yardmaster and serves at his pleasure.

NH Transfer

Originates: New Haven Interchange, South Norwalk

Terminates: Dock Yard

This train is a turn and has a reciprocal movement.

The NH Transfer brings cars to the Housatonic RR / Dock Yard from the New York, New Haven & Hartford interchange at South Norwalk. This occurs as the first movement at the beginning of an operating session. The reciprocal movement occurs as the last movement of the session, taking cars bound for the New Haven back to the interchange. (Note: There is no physical interchange track with the New Haven at South Norwalk. The movement is staged on the main at the beginning of the session, and ends there.)