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Revised Child Fare Rule becomes applicable for train journey from 21st April, 2016 onwards.

Advance booking of reserved tickets under this revised child fare rule has already started in December 2015 for journey date 21st April, 2016 onwards.

Ministry of Railways has decided to revise the child fare rule. Under the revised provision, full adult fare will be charged for children of age 5 years and under 12 years of age if for whom **full separate** berth/seat (in **reserved** class) is sought at the time of reservation. However, in case **full separate** berth/seat is not sought for the children of age 5 years and under 12 years of age at the time of reservation, then half of the adult fare shall continue to be charged subject to the minimum distance for charging.

This revised child fare rule has been made applicable for travel from 21st **April, 2016** onwards. Advance booking of reserved tickets for children under this revised rule has already started in December 2015 for journey date of 21st April, 2016 onwards.

While filling up reservation form, the passenger can indicate their option for requirement of **full** berth/seat for child **or not**.

There is no change in the rule for child fare of **unreserved** tickets i.e. fare for children of **5-12 years** for **unreserved** tickets shall continue to be half of the adult fare subject to the minimum distance for charging.

Children **under five years** of age will continue to be carried free (without berth) in case of both **reserved** and **unreserved** classes.

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