### TR 2023-05 - Ticket Life and Preservation of Marks

Task Team Chair – John Sparks

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### PROPOSED MODIFICATION TO PRACTICE 4-8 (Redline follows)

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