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DIMENSIONS

Driving Wheels 6 ft - 0 ins

Pony Wheels 3 ft - I in

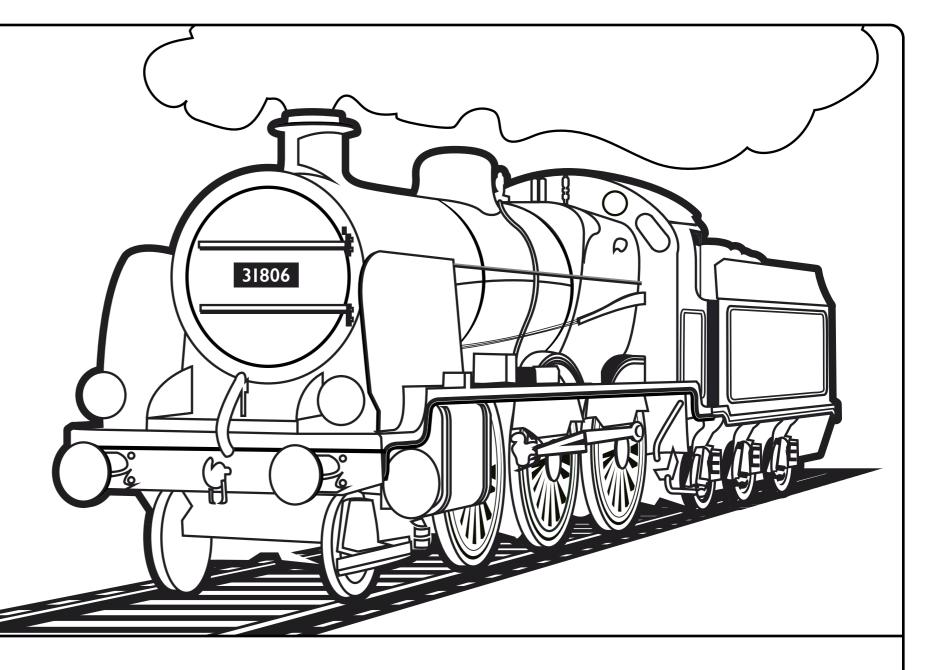
Length 57 ft -10 in

Total Weight 110 tons - 14 cwt

Water Capacity 4,000 gallons

Coal Capacity 5 tons

Boiler Pressure 200 psi



DID YOU KNOW?

31806 was built originally by Southern Railway's Brighton Works as a K class 2-6-4 tank engine. It entered traffic on 26th October 1926 numbered No A806 and named "River Torridge".

The K Class tank locomotives were not a success and A806 was rebuilt. It entered Brighton Works on 26th March 1928 for the side tanks and coal bunker to be removed and a six-wheel tender added. It re-entered service on 21st June 1928 as A806 but the 'River Torridge' nameplates were not re-fixed.

This is the only rebuilt Class U locomotive to remain as all the others were scrapped.

It was renumbered 1806 in 1932 and then 31806 by British Rail in 1949.

During the 1950s, 31806 was photographed on the Swanage Branch several times hauling summer specials.

31806 was withdrawn from Guildford shed, on Sunday 5th January 1964, having covered 970.103 miles.

31806 was purchased in 1975 and moved to the Mid-Hants Railway at Alresford where its restoration started in 1979. Later it moved to Swanage Railway in 2014.