

LEVEL CROSSING SAFETY TIPS FOR ROAD USERS



Active level crossings

At railway level crossings controlled by red flashing lights or boom gates, you must:

- Come to a complete stop when flashing lights have started flashing
- Not proceed until the lights stop flashing, and the tracks are clear
- If a train passes but the lights don't stop, don't assume there's a fault – there might be another train coming

Passive level crossings

When approaching a level crossing protected by a 'Stop' sign, you must:

- Come to a complete stop before the holding line or well clear of the tracks in a position where you can see in both directions along the tracks
- Look for trains in both directions
- Only proceed over the tracks if there are no trains approaching.

At level crossings protected by a 'Give Way' sign you must:

- Slow down and prepare to stop
- Look for trains in both directions along the tracks
- Only proceed if there are no trains approaching.

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It's not easy to judge the speed of trains. Always stop or give way;

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Check ahead. Do not enter an intersection without being sure there is plenty of space for your vehicle to clear the train tracks

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Trains can come from either direction at any time. Always check both ways, a second train may be coming;

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Flashing red lights mean stop – a train is coming

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Trains do not always run to a timetable. Always expect a train.

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Don't risk your life or ours at level crossings. Remember these are road rules not rail rules!

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