

What is Trespass?

Trespass is when you go somewhere you do not have permission to be.



You are trespassing if you are on the wrong side of the railway's fencing or barriers.

The railway is a dangerous place. There are signs in place asking you not to trespass for your own safety and the safety of others.

Railway staff and contractors have to go through strict and intense training before working on the tracks. Safety precautions and measures are in place to prevent serious, potentially life changing accidents.

Trespass on the railway is **ILLEGAL** and you can be taken to court and fined £1,000.

See it. Say it. Sorted.

The Rail Industry rely on information from the public to help them keep the rail network safe. If you see something that doesn't look or feel right, they want to hear from you and will decide if what you have seen is important.

You should tell a member of rail staff or a police officer what you have seen. You can also call 0800 40 50 40, or text 61016. In an emergency, always call 999.

Stay Safe at the Station



- Stay behind the yellow/white platform edge lines while waiting on the platform.
- Don't get too close to the edge of the platform.
- Stand clear of the closing doors. Whether you are trying to get on or off the train, don't make a rush for the closing doors. You or your luggage could get trapped.
- If you drop something on the track, leave it and contact a member of staff.

Safety is EVERYONE's Responsibility

Tell your friends it's not safe to play on the railway and tracks.



camvalleycrp.org.uk

Staying Safe Near the Railway

The railway can be a dangerous place and that's why the Train Operating Companies, Network Rail, the British Transport Police and the Community Rail Partnership want to remind you how to stay safe on the railway.



Railway Facts



- If you step on the railway track, the land next to the track or any area near the railway that isn't open to the public, you're trespassing. It is dangerous and illegal.
- Trespassing includes picking up lost property from the tracks, crossing the tracks at any point other than at a level crossing, stepping off a level crossing into an area where you shouldn't be, and taking a walk down the side of the railway track.
- Modern trains travel faster than you think, achieving speeds of up to 125mph almost silently.
- Modern trains also run round-the-clock, so there's no 'quiet time' on the railway.
- Don't think that keeping to one side of the track will keep you safe. Trains are wider than the rails.
- The overhead cables are ALWAYS on.
- The overhead cables that power trains carry 25,000 volts of electricity. That is 100 times stronger than your household electricity. This makes electricity the most dangerous aspect of trespassing.
- Electric shocks can cause injuries that aren't always visible. People can die if they are struck by the electricity carried in railway cables, and survivors can be left with life-changing injuries.
- Electricity can jump up to 3 metres in some conditions.

Level Crossings: Stop, Look and Listen



There are nearly 6,000 crossings on the UK railway and every level crossing can be dangerous. Not following the correct instructions can cause serious harm. You wouldn't walk out in the road without stopping and looking both ways. Always **STOP, LOOK & LISTEN** before crossing the railway at all level crossings.

How to cross safely at level crossings:



Concentrate

It's easy to drift off and take more notice of your phone, music or conversation than what's going on around you.



Stop, look and listen

Every crossing is different so always read the signs and follow the instructions.



Warning signs

If there are any warning signs (lights, barriers, alarms) make sure you understand what they mean. and always follow instructions at each level crossing completely.



Check both ways before crossing

If there is a train coming, don't cross. Stay behind the gate or fence line until the train has passed. Remember, there may be more than one train and they may be coming from different directions.



Cross quickly and safely

Make sure your exit route is clear before you start to cross. Never stop once you have started crossing.