WHO IS CANADIAN SAFETY TRAIN?

Canadian Safety Train Express (CSTE) specializes in delivering engaging, hands-on railway safety education to high- priority audiences across Western Canada. Our programs focus on youth and teenagers, young adults, and professional drivers. Through interactive presentations, real-world scenarios, and community-based outreach, we raise awareness about the dangers of railways and promote safe behaviors. By focusing on those most at risk, CSTE works to reduce preventable incidents and foster a stronger culture of railway safety in communities across the country.



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RAILWAY SAFETY FACTS

CANADIAN SAFETY TRAIN EXPRESS

KNOW THE FACTS-MAKE SAFE CHOICES:

CROSS LEGALLY & SAFELY



For your safety and by law, always use designated crossings when crossing railroad tracks. Pay close attention to signs and signals, and ensure no trains are approaching before you proceed.

WAIT, LOOK BOTH WAYS



Trains are faster and quieter than you think. Always assume one is coming—on any track, at any time. Look both ways, never cross while signals are active, and never try to beat a train.

AVOID GETTING STUCK



Always ensure there's enough room to completely clear the tracks before crossing. Trains extend beyond the rails, so give them plenty of space. **When driving, stay at least 15 feet away from the tracks, and** avoid shifting gears while crossing.

GET OUT! GET AWAY!



Stuck on the tracks? **Get out fast and move far from the track**s—don't wait, even if no train is in sight. Call the railway emergency number on the back of the crossbuck or signal box. If you can't find the number, dial 911immediately

KNOW THE LAW : NEVER walk, jog or bike on railroad tracks, bridges and tunnels. Never try to cross on, under or climb through a stopped train. Railroad tracks, trestles, yards and equipment are private property and being on them is trespassing. It's illegal. You can lose your life or be seriously injured, fined or arrested.

FOLLOW THESE TIPS:

1. **Always expect a train.** Trains are quieter and faster than you think. They can run on any track, at any time, from either direction.
2. **Walking on or beside railroad tracks is illegal.**
3. **The only safe place to cross tracks is at designated public crossings with a crossbuck, flashing red lights or a gate.** Crossing anywhere else is illegal.
4. **Crossing tracks on a bike, with a stroller, in a wheelchair, or on other narrow wheels requires caution and extra attention.** Plan ahead when choosing a route. When possible, walk, don't ride across the tracks. Cyclists, walk your bike across the train tracks at a 90 degree angle. If in a wheelchair, consider getting assistance or taking an alternative route.
5. **Never pass flashing lights or go around lowered gates.** Always wait until lights have stopped flashing and gates are completely raised.
6. **Wait to cross until you can see clearly in both directions.** Multiple tracks may mean multiple trains.
7. **Stay off railroad bridges and trestles. Stay out of railroad tunnels.** There is ONLY room for the train.
8. **Trains, tracks and railroad yards are NOT playgrounds.** Never climb on, under or through railcars. Never jump on or off a train while it's moving.

WHEN WALKING, JOGGING OR RIDING THROUGH RAILROAD CROSSINGS, IT'S IMPORTANT TO KNOW WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU SEE RAILROAD SIGNS AND SIGNALS.