

WORKING NEAR THE G: Hazard Zone

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**WE WANT YOU TO STAY
SAFE NEAR THE GOLD
COAST LIGHT RAIL.**

Working near the light rail means there are extra hazards to be aware of:

- Trams cannot steer around a work site
- They are powered by wires above the track which are live all the time

This leaflet explains when you must ask us in advance and get the work authorised, and how to get in contact with us to do so. Advice is free, so always ask if you are in doubt.

You must agree a safe work method with us, and receive our authorisation, before work starts, and must carry out the work in the agreed way. Unauthorised work can be dangerous.

**IF YOU OWN OR OCCUPY A BUILDING NEAR THE TRAMWAY, PLEASE
GIVE THIS LEAFLET TO ANYONE CARRYING OUT WORK ON THE
BUILDING FOR YOU.**

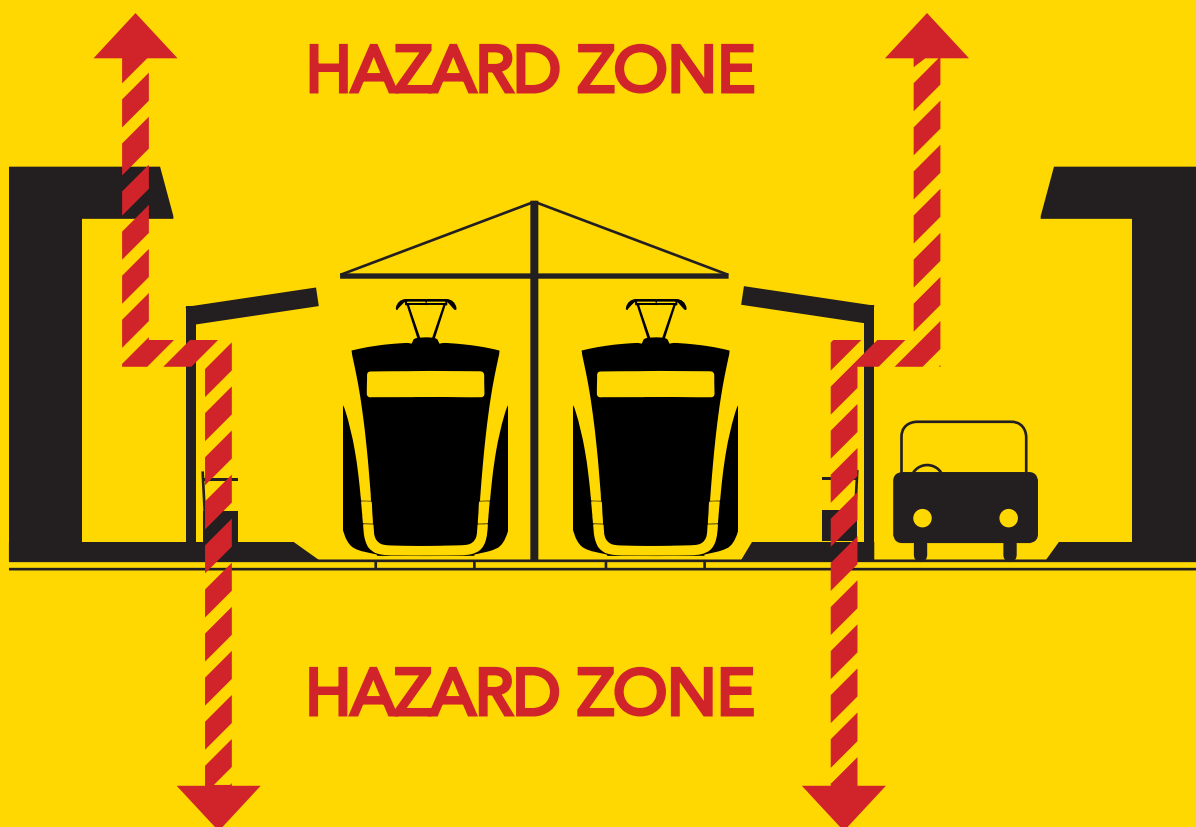
Further free copies of this leaflet can be ordered from us or downloaded from our website www.ridetheg.com.au. Our contact details are inside.

WHEN YOU NEED AUTHORISATION

Authorisation is needed for any of these activities:

- Any work where any part of the site, any tools, or material, any machine or suspended load, or any person, could come within the hazard zone (see diagram)
- Any work which will force pedestrians to be diverted into the hazard zone.
- Piling, using a crane, excavation over 2m deep, or erecting or dismantling scaffolding, within 6m of the edge of the hazard zone
- An excavation within 3m of any pole supporting overhead wires

Even if the site itself is outside the hazard zone, you need authorisation if vehicles fitted with cranes, tipping bodies or skip loaders will come within the hazard zone when this equipment is in use.



Below the ground and up to 3 metres above the ground, the hazard zone extends 2 metres either side of the nearest rail.

Higher than 3 metres above the ground, the hazard zone extends 3 metres from the nearest rail.



HOW TO GET AUTHORISATION

From June 2014, Site Access Applications can be obtained via any of the following means:

- ✉ PO Box 1020, Southport QLD 4215
- 📧 info@ridetheg.com.au
- 💻 www.RideTheG.com.au
- ☎ 07 5588 6800

From June 2014, you must submit a Gold Coast light rail Site Access Application, saying where and when you want to work, and describing the work to be done.

Completed Site Access Applications may be emailed or posted to the addresses above at least three weeks before you intend to start work. If you have prepared a method statement, you should send it with your Site Access Application. If the work needs to be submitted to the Department of Transport and Main Roads, City of Gold Coast or the Queensland Police Service, the same information will usually be suitable to send with the Site Access Application.

We may need to telephone you or meet you to find out more about the work. You will not be charged for this. If no precautions are necessary, we will tell you in writing.

If there are precautions that you must take in order to work safely, we will tell you about them in writing. We will try to find ways in which your work can be done safely during normal hours. However, for some jobs you may have to work at night when no trams are running and when power to the overhead lines can be switched off.

Authority for the work will only be given when the safe working arrangements are agreed. Do not start work without it. If work must be done urgently to protect people or property, for your own safety you must still contact us and obtain agreement to carry out the work before you start.





EMERGENCIES DURING WORK NEAR THE LIGHT RAIL

If work obstructs the track unexpectedly, if anyone or anything comes into contact with the overhead wires, or if tramway equipment is damaged, the Operational Control Centre (OCC) must be told immediately.

The OCC can be contacted at any time, by any of these means:

- By phone 07 5588 6800
- Using the emergency help point at any tram stop
- By asking a member of light rail staff
- By asking emergency services personnel

The person contacting the OCC must say that there is an emergency. The controller will ask:

- Who is speaking and where from
- What has happened
- Whether anyone or anything is touching the overhead wires
- Whether the track is obstructed
- Which emergency services are needed (if any)

Answer the questions as quickly and clearly as possible. The controller will repeat the information back to confirm it. If the controller gives any instructions, obey them.

If an approaching tram must be stopped, signal to the driver by holding both arms above your head. Stand where the driver can see you, but not in the path of the tram.



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