



SOUTH SHORE LINE

TRACK SAFETY

SAFETY IS OUR NUMBER ONE PRIORITY

The completion of the first phase of the Double Track Project presents an opportunity to refresh all pedestrians and drivers on safety around the railroad tracks.

YOU SHOULD ALWAYS

Look in both directions when you cross railroad tracks

Cross tracks at designated crossings only

Stop at railroad tracks when gates are coming down and lights and/or bells are activated

Wait until lights have stopped flashing and gates are completely raised before proceeding across any set of tracks

YOU SHOULD NEVER

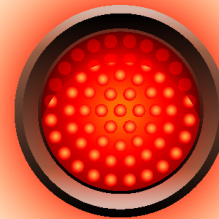
Enter a railroad crossing when the lights and bells are activated, and the gates are down

Cross tracks without looking in both directions

Cross tracks in areas without a designated crossing



While waiting at a multiple-track crossing for a train to pass, expect that it is very possible that a second train on the other tracks may be approaching from another direction., or running the same direction but slightly behind the train on the adjacent track.



Flashing railroad crossing lights are exactly like a red light at a road intersection; entering a railroad crossing with gates and bells activated is a violation of the law.

If your vehicle gets stuck or stalls at a crossing, get everyone out and far away immediately, even if you do not see a train. Next, locate the blue and white sign. The blue and white sign should be posted near the crossing and clearly visible. It includes the name of the railroad, the railroad's emergency contact number, and the USDOT National Crossing Inventory Number. Call the number on the blue and white Emergency Notification System (ENS) sign and share the crossing ID number with the dispatcher. No sign? Dial 911. Locate the blue and white to save your life.

YOU SHOULD ALWAYS EXPECT A TRAIN ON ANY TRACK, AT ANY TIME, IN ANY DIRECTION

At select locations, SSL has installed "another train coming" signs that will signal to waiting drivers and pedestrians that another train is coming. This is an extra reminder not to enter a crossing until the gates are fully raised, and the lights and bells stop activating.



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