

SAFETY ALERT

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Safety Briefing – On or About Tracks

On September 17th, 2023 a CSX car inspector in Walbridge, OH was in the process of applying blue signal protection by lining and locking a switch against movement when struck by a remote control locomotive and fatally injured. This tragic incident remains under investigation but it is a somber reminder to maintain situational awareness and apply proper on and about track safety rules and procedures when performing tasks.

Points of Emphasis

- Communicate effectively by conducting a proper safety briefing before beginning the task, and update as needed or when conditions change.
- Employees must maintain situational awareness at all times and :
 - Avoid fixation
 - Do not make assumptions
 - Expect movement on all tracks at all times from any direction
- Review terminal emergency action plans with your coworkers and/or local officials

CSX Operating Requirements

Rule 2100.4

Employees must stop and look in both directions before:

- a. Fouling or crossing a track or set of tracks (it is permissible to cross more than one track without stopping at each track if safe to do so), or
- b. Moving from under or between equipment, or
- c. Getting on or off equipment, or
- d. Operating a switch, or
- e. Operating a derail.

Course Code Information

Title: Mechanical Safety Conversation - Crossing Tracks

Description: During this mandatory safety conversation, Mechanical managers will discuss Safe Way rule 2100 (On or About Track Safety) with employees stressing the importance of rule 2100.4, to stop and look in both directions before fouling or crossing a track or set of tracks.

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