# Airside Standard



Welcome to your monthly update from the **Airside Safety Improvement Team** 



FOD stands for Foreign Object Debris and refers to any substance, debris, or object that has the potential to cause serious damage to critical parts of an aircraft, particularly during takeoff, landing, and taxiing on airport surfaces.

FOD can include a wide range of items such as pavement fragments, tools, luggage wheels, wildlife, or even small objects like bolts or screws.

Aircraft engines are particularly vulnerable to FOD ingestion. In fact, debris sucked into an engine can cause compressor blade damage, leading to engine surge, flameout, or complete failure.

### **PLEASE ALWAYS ENSURE YOU:**

Return all stand equipment and GSE to its appropriate parking areas.

Dispose of any FOD you come across by using the bins provided at the head of each stand.

Ensure vehicles are parked safely and correctly and left FOD-free.

Call Airside Ops at **020 8745 6024** for any FOD management requests.

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# SUMMER AIRSIDE SAFETY WEEK

Summer Safety Week 2024 is just around the corner, and we can't wait to see you there!

Join us on the following dates and locations:

Monday, 13th: *T4 Stand 461* Tuesday, 14th: *T5 Stand 524* Wednesday, 15th: *T2 KAD Site* Thursday, 16th: *T3 Stand 351* Friday, 17th: *Cargo Stand 604* 

We'll be promoting important safety messages while having lots of fun and enjoying good food! This year, we will also be in the cargo area.



**Stand 307 in Terminal 3 has been highlighted as an RTC hotspot** due to the frequency of RTCs occurring on and around the stand. This is mainly attributed to the driver's lack of spatial awareness, reversing without assistance from a banksman and congested stands / interstand clearways. Considering the space limitations in this area, drivers are reminded not to block interstand clearways and to use a banksman when necessary. It's crucial for drivers to ensure they are familiar with the size of their vehicles of their vehicles prior to setting off.

# **Dropped loads**

# THE NUMBER OF DROPPED LOAD INCIDENTS CONTINUES TO INCREASE COMPARED TO LAST YEAR.

In March, most incidents involved ULDs not being properly secured and falling from dollies during transit on roadways or manoeuvring on aircraft stands. Two significant incidents happened during offloading operations on stands, where ULDs slid off the opposite side of the dollies while being transferred from high loader platforms. This was due to the stops not being correctly engaged before moving the ULDs from the high loader onto the dollies.

To tackle this issue, Heathrow is closely collaborating with the Ground Handlers Community to share best practices and enhance its standards. A workshop was held in March to discuss pre-use inspection procedures and equipment standards for dollies, leading to collaborative efforts to address and enhance standards.



# **ATTENTION**

# **Tug Park by Stand 503**

For EBT drivers operating within T5, please be cautious and consider other drivers when operating within the tug park behind stand 503. This area is constrained for space, which can make manoeuvring challenging.





# TANGO ROAD SPEEDING



It has recently been reported that drivers are exceeding the 20-mph speed limit on Tango Road in Terminal 4.

We want to remind drivers that this speed limit is in place for the safety of everyone airside. Please be aware that routine speed monitoring occurs on the airfield. Any driver found exceeding the designated speed limit risks receiving points on their ADP.

TAXIVAYS CLOSED

TAXIWAY CHARLIE CROSSING AND TAXIWAY DELTA CROSSING ARE CLOSED FROM 00:01 15 APRIL 2024

TAXIWAY CROSSING RESTRICTED TO APPROVED VEHICLES ONLY

If you need any further information, then please contact your Driver Trainer, your Line Manager or email: air-side@hanthow.com Heathrow.

THINK SAFE!

#WorkSafeHomeSafe

# **Uncontrolled Crossing Closure**

Taxiway Charlie and Delta uncontrolled crossings will both be closed starting from

00:01 on **Monday**, **April 15th, 2024**.



It was brought to our attention that several paint markings on the airfield needed refreshing. After conducting multiple inspections, we identified faded speed paint markings across the airfield and reported them through the appropriate channels. Below are a few examples of refreshed paint markings. If you observe any paint markings in need of refreshing, please report them to the engineering help desk using the contact details provided below.

# PAINT MARKINGS You said, we did



Pier 5 Road West

Any faults on HAL assets should be logged with One Engineering by emailing oneeng@heathrow.com or calling 02089766555. This includes roads which need repair. Any faults on ground handling equipment should be reported to the respective company or maintenance provider.

# **CROSSWORD**

## **Across**

- 2. Goes behind stand 311
- 3. The roundabout next to stand 221
- 5. Takes you from the CTA to T4/Cargo
- 7. Located in T5, takes you from T5D to T5A

### Down

- 1. You pass over it in order to get from T2 to T3
- 4. You drive past the old 100 stands
- 6. The road is long and has double yellows
- 8. Takes you from T3 to T5



Scan the QR code to access all of our posters and Airside Standards Newsletters, now also available on the Heathrow website within the Airside Safety Improvement Area.

# **ANSWERS:**

1. Cargo Tunnel Flyover 2. West Circular Road 3. T2A Roundabout South 4. North Circular 5. Cargo Tunnel 6. Tango Road 7. Southern Airside Road 8. ART

# **Feedback**

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