

Safety PIN

Practice Information
Newsletter

Highlighting airside safety matters to keep Heathrow safe.

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Editorial

Safety is everybody's business.

What are you doing to ensure your own safety and the safety of your colleagues?

It's up to every one of us to take the lead in safety matters.

Whatever you do, it's tempting to take short cuts, but think of the implications if something goes wrong.

Travelling in a vehicle that is only going 20mph without a seatbelt on might feel safe, but recent incidents have shown that it's possible to suffer a head injury if the driver has to brake sharply.

Consider your actions in this busy airside environment and ensure that everyone goes home safely, everyday.

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Vehicle fires – are you doing enough to prevent them?

Earlier this year we had a significant vehicle fire. The fire took hold rapidly and the cab was totally burnt out. There were no injuries, however the potential for substantial damage was high.

The cause of this fire is under investigation but everyone has their part to play in preventing them, by:

- Checking their vehicle has no obvious defects e.g. electrical faults
- Checking that their vehicle isn't leaking fuel or other fluids
- Checking that the vehicle is running normally, e.g. not overheating.
- Checking that the cab is clear of FOD

Remember to always call **222** from a landline or **0208 759 1212** from a mobile if you see a fire airside. Only tackle a fire if you feel safe and able to do so.



Heathrow Safe. It starts with all of us. **Heathrow**
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Statistical Summary – May 2014

We have over 17,000 licensed drivers airside who mostly drive with care and follow the 'road rules' – but here are the statistics for May that we need your help to reduce:

23 Drivers not wearing seatbelts

23 Drivers given points for speeding

4 Drivers who failed to give way to 'STOP' signs

17 Drivers given points for driving carelessly

6 Drivers with insecure loads

3 Drivers who drove across an empty stand



Food for thought

If an aircraft hits a bird, it's called a birdstrike. Feeding birds airside encourages them to visit the airfield and raises the risk of birdstrike at Heathrow. Birdstrikes can be catastrophic to aircraft arriving and departing the airport.

- Help reduce this risk by ensuring that all food sources are removed from the airside environment and disposed of safely.



What's wrong with this picture? Competition result

*Congratulations to **Dave McCormack** of **dndata**, who correctly identified that the cabin door is open without suitable equipment positioned correctly up to it. Equipment must always be positioned prior to the opening of the cabin door to prevent people falling from it. See OSI 08/12 for more information.*

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