

Safety PIN

Practice Information
Newsletter

Highlighting airside safety matters to keep Heathrow safe.

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Editorial

As the nights draw in and winter approaches, are you ready for winter operations?

The first icy days of the season often catch people out. It's always worth considering whether you have everything in place, both at work and for your journey home, to ensure that you're safe whilst travelling in winter conditions.

Consider packing extra layers in your car along with blankets and a shovel in case you're caught in snow conditions if you've got a long commute.

Thank you for your efforts to ensure passengers, colleagues and ourselves are kept safe – safety matters at Heathrow.

HAL Safety Practices Team

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Use of Banksmen

There's a rising trend of vehicles reversing airside and hitting another vehicle or piece of infrastructure.

One way this can be avoided is to use a banksman whilst you are reversing. The banksman's role is to guide the driver so that he or she reverses the vehicle safely.

Remember though that at all times the driver is responsible for the vehicle he or she is driving – use of a banksman does not share this responsibility.



Uncontrolled crossings

Each month the Safety Practices Team is made aware of vehicles infringing the right of way of aircraft.

Don't be one of those statistics!

Always wait until the aircraft has passed you and a clearance of 3 aircraft lengths has been achieved before crossing.

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Statistic Summary – September 2013

We have over 22,000 licensed drivers airside who mostly drive with care and follow the 'road rules' – but here are the statistics for September that we need your help to reduce:

5 Drivers that parked blocking an emergency exit

2 Drivers that parked on a red route

5 Drivers with insecure loads

5 Drivers given points for speeding

14 Drivers given points for driving without due care

3 Drivers given points for driving across empty stands



Lights on!

It's a requirement for vehicles to drive airside with dipped headlights. It's important that vehicles can always be seen especially in hours of darkness, poor weather conditions or parts of the airport that are undercover e.g. undercrofts and baggage halls.

- *Always remember to check that your vehicle lights are on dipped beam and are working at the beginning of every trip.*

Mandatory Occurrence Reports (MORs)

Did you know that you must report to the CAA any incident which endangers or which, if not corrected, would endanger an aircraft, its occupants or any other person?

Examples of MORs include:

- *Unintended contact between an aircraft and any other aircraft, vehicle, ground equipment or ground object*
- *The removal of aircraft steps where it endangered aircraft occupants / ground service providers*
- *Unreported damage to aircraft (for example from the previous sector)*



For more information have a look at CAP382 at caa.co.uk/cap382

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