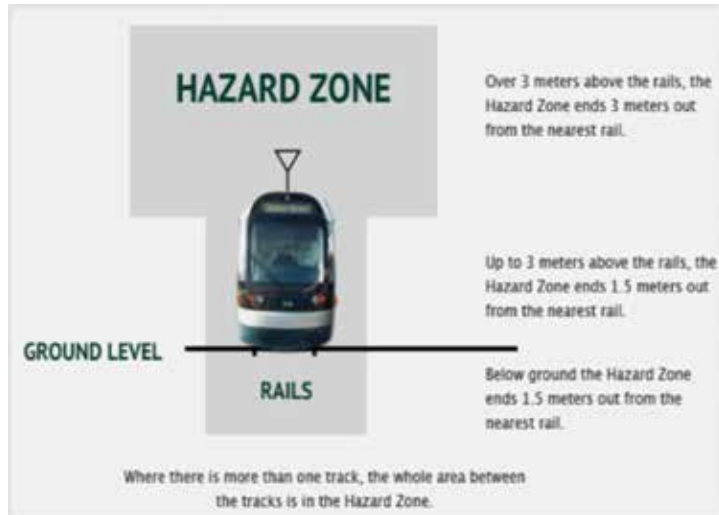


WORK NEAR TRAMWAYS

Before carrying out works in a street with a tramway, the tramway operator and highway authority must be consulted. The tramway operator will set out safety requirements to ensure safe working and to minimise the impact of works of the tramway.



All tramways regardless of where they are located in the country have a hazard zone as shaded in the example.

Any work where any part of the site, any tools or materials, any machine or suspended loads, or any persons could come within the hazard zone must seek authorisation before works commence.

Authorisation from the tramway authorities will also be required if the following apply:

- Any work which will force a pedestrian to be diverted in to the hazard zone.
- Piling, using a crane, excavation over 2 metres deep, or erecting or dismantling scaffolding within 6 metres of the hazard zone.
- Any excavation within 3 metres of a pole supporting overhead wires.
- Any work of any kind within 3 metres of a pole supporting overhead wires, in areas where tram rails are not embedded in the ground.



Hazards

Contact with live overhead electric lines can cause a flash leading to severe burns, electric shock or even death. Impact from moving trams can cause severe physical injury or even death.

A tram system follows a fixed route inside a “Sweep Path” which is marked on the highway by yellow dots, kerb or a change of road surface colour. (It is not normally marked off the highway or on the operating companies land).

No staff, equipment, plant or vehicles are allowed in the “Sweep Path” or within 3m of overhead lines, unless specifically permitted by the tramway operator.

NEVER ATTEMPT TO RECOVER EQUIPMENT OR TO RESCUE PEOPLE IN CONTACT WITH THE OVERHEAD LINE SYSTEM. FOLLOW YOUR EMERGENCY PROCEDURES