

# **OTGE 200**

# Walking in the Danger Zone

### **Applicability**

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## **Purpose**

To prescribe the rules for walking safely in the *Danger Zone*.

#### **General**

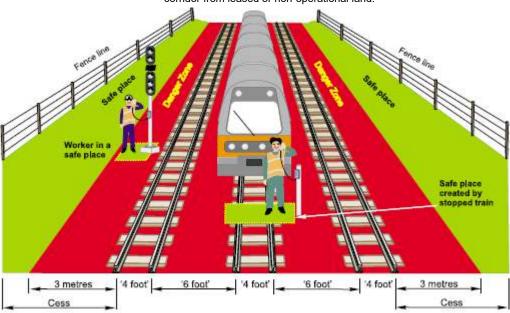
The Danger Zone is all space within 3m horizontally from the nearest rail and any distance above or below this 3m, unless a *safe place* exists or can be created.

#### Figure OTGE 200-1

#### Rail Corridor

Everywhere within 15m of the outermost rails or

- the boundary fence where boundary fences are provided and are closer than 15 metres, or
- if the property boundary is less than 15 metres, the property boundary, or
- a permanent structure such as a fence, wall or level crossing separating the operating rail corridor from leased or non-operational land.



Workers in safe places

#### Walking in the Danger Zone is:

- walking from place to place in the Danger Zone, and
- doing no work other than placing or removing detonators, or red flags/red lights, or track-circuit shorting clips.

Workers *must* not walk in the Danger Zone unless:

- an easily-reached safe place is available, and
- there is no practicable alternative.





Rail traffic can approach from either direction at any time.

# **Safety**

If walking in the Danger Zone, workers must:

- wear approved high-visibility clothing, and
- · look frequently in both directions for approaching rail traffic, and
- carry a light at night, in tunnels, and when visibility is limited, and
- not step on or within points.

# Placing or removing protection

If placing or removing detonators, or red flags/red lights, or track-circuit shorting clips, workers must stay alert for approaching rail traffic.

#### **Related OTHR Network Procedures**

**OTPR 709** 

Using detonators

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