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# Protecting Trains

## Applicability

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## Publication Requirement

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## Purpose

To prescribe the rules for protecting *trains* in the *Oberon Tarana Heritage Railway (OTHR) Network*.

## Train protection

Trains require *protection* in all circumstances if:

- they need assistance, or
- they *obstruct*, or might obstruct, *adjacent* lines, or
- the line is obstructed.

If *rail traffic* needing assistance is in a *location* that prevents the *Train Crew* or *track vehicle crew* from placing *railway track signal* protection, the *Train Controller* must give assisting rail traffic a *Condition Affecting the Network (CAN)* warning.

## Obstruction of lines

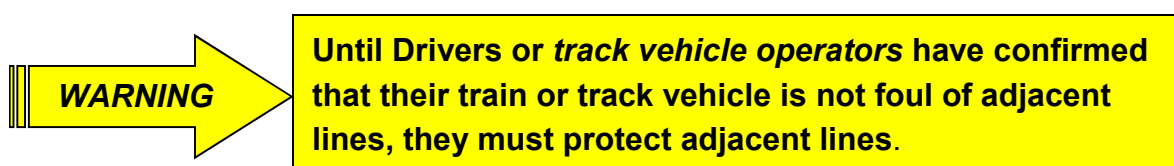
If an obstruction is reported, the Train Controller responsible for the affected portions of line must act in accordance with Rule *OTGE 206 Reporting and responding to a Condition Affecting the Network (CAN)*, and:

- instruct Drivers of trains in or approaching the affected block to stop their trains immediately, and
- prevent entry of further rail traffic into affected, or potentially affected, portions of line, and
- make sure that *blocking facilities* are applied.

## Adjacent lines

The crew of a stopped train must immediately protect against approaching rail traffic if:

- their train is, or might be, *foul* of adjacent lines, and
- the Driver is not assured that other rail traffic has been stopped, or prevented from entering the obstructed block.





The Train Crew must apply protection to multiple affected adjacent lines with the priority they consider necessary.

The Train Crew *may* detach a *motive power unit* or *locomotive* from the train for use during placement of protection.

Before detaching the motive power unit or locomotive, the Train Crew must *secure* the remaining portion of the train.

The motive power unit or locomotive used for placement of protection may be returned to the remaining portion of the train without further authorisation.

## Related OTHR Network Procedures

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<b>OTPR 709</b>	Using detonators
<b>OTPR 712</b>	Protecting work from rail traffic on adjacent lines
<b>OTPR 720</b>	Protecting trains

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