



RIS-3786-TOM issue 1

Trespass Risk Assessment

Briefing note

Background

Trespass incidents have a significant impact on the network, the public and the whole rail industry. Each year these incidents cause injury and harm, and delay to the travelling public; with a risk of prosecution and fines for transport operators.

Adopting a common approach to dealing with trespass risk on the GB mainline railway will help to deliver an overall reduction in incidents.

What is it about?

RIS-3786-TOM issue 1 provides requirements and guidance for conducting, implementing and reviewing trespass risk assessments to foster a common process throughout the GB mainline railway.

This standard builds upon the legal duties set out in the Railway Safety (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1997, which require transport operators to take reasonably practicable measures to reduce risk to the public. It also supports the duty of cooperation that transport operators have under the Railways and Other Guided Transport Systems (Safety) Regulations 2006.

What has changed?

This is a new standard. RIS-3786-TOM issue 1 is not expected to create major change for industry as transport operators are already required to carry out a risk assessment. The standard

provides a common, clear and consistent approach for transport operators to follow.

Industry will need to identify those responsible for risk assessments in their organisations and identify how best to familiarise them with RIS-3786-TOM to ensure smooth implementation.

What are the benefits?

A consistent risk assessment process helps reduce incidents of trespass and subsequent injuries and harm to life as transport operators can collaborate to select effective mitigation measures.

A reduction of trespass events can improve performance and the reliability of the railway, benefiting both passengers and transport operators.

RIS-3786-TOM issue 1 can help transport operators meet their legal obligations, therefore reducing potential financial penalties, by helping them identify and take the necessary steps to mitigate risk to the public.

RIS-3786-TOM issue 1 is expected to deliver benefits of £2.97 million over 5 years.

Who is it for?

This standard applies to infrastructure managers and railway undertakings, as well as anyone else involved in managing and mitigating trespass risk on the GB mainline railway.