

A background image of a railroad crossing is visible through the red and white diamond pattern. The image shows a white train car on the left, a crossing sign with 'RAILROAD CROSSING' and 'CROSS ROAD' written on it, and a signal light with 'TRACKS' written below it. The scene is overlaid with a semi-transparent red filter.

# BE RAIL SMART

STOP. LOOK. LISTEN.  
LIVE.

Trains are always much  
closer than they appear.  
Look, listen and be ready to stop.

# RAIL SAFETY TIPS

## 1 ● SPEED MISPERCEPTION

Because of their size, trains appear to be much farther away and travelling much slower than their actual speed. Don't be fooled!

## 2 ● TRAINS CAN'T STOP QUICKLY

The average train needs at least 1.25 miles to stop. Trains can stop, but they can't stop quickly!

## 3 ● TRESPASSING

Taking a shortcut across the tracks or being on railway property is illegal, and trespassers can be seriously injured or killed.

## 4 ● WEIGHT RATIO

An average freight train weighs over 12 million lbs. Compare that to a car, which weighs about 3,000 lbs. A train hitting a car is like a car hitting a pop can.

## 5 ● RAILWAY CARS

Stopped railway cars can move at any time. If you're on one or near one when it moves, you could lose a limb — or worse, your life.

## 6 ● TUNNELS AND BRIDGES

Tunnels, bridges, and trestles are designed only for trains. Trespassers can be seriously injured or killed.

## 7 ● OVERHANG

Trains can carry loads that are wider than the railroad cars themselves. They can have chains, straps or other equipment that may extend outside the car. If you are standing too close, you could get hit.

## 8 ● ANY TIME IS TRAIN TIME

Trains do not always run on schedule. They can run at any time, on any track and come from either direction.

## 9 ● CN POLICE NUMBER

Together we can help save lives! If you witness any unsafe situation near a railroad, please call **1-800-465-9239**.

## 10 ● SAFETY PLEDGE

Act today. Take the pledge at [mysafetypledge.com](https://mysafetypledge.com).



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