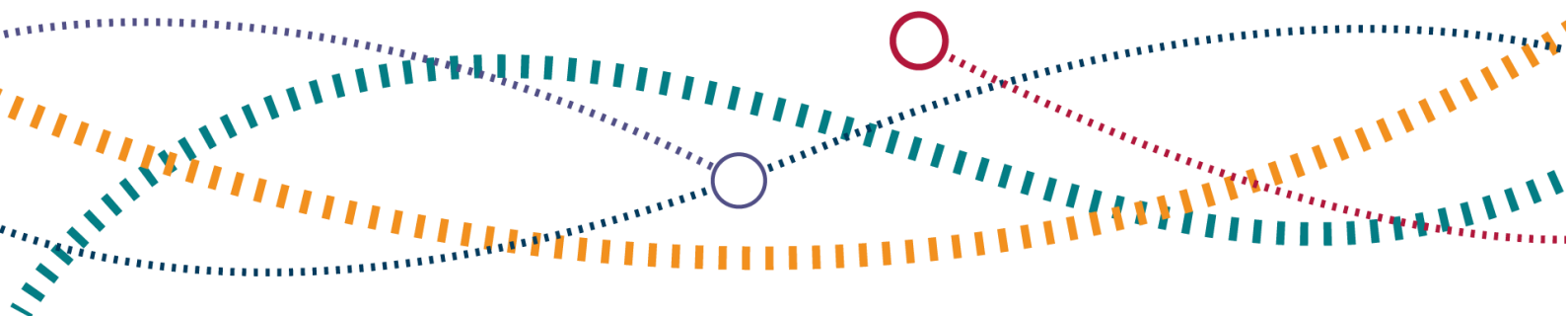




The Railways and Other Guided Transport Systems (Safety) Regulations 2006 (as amended) (ROGS)

Approved list of systems excluded from the scope of the mainline railway requirements

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This list is kept by the Office of Rail and Road in accordance with regulation 2A of ROGS and was last updated in March 2025.

Metros and other light rail systems

East London Railway (Highbury & Islington station to New Cross station and New Cross Gate station via Whitechapel: only those tracks used exclusively by ELR between Highbury & Islington and Dalston Junction).

East London Railway (Surrey Quays station to Old Kent Road junction where the ELR will meet the existing rail route between South Bermondsey and Queen's Peckham stations).

Glasgow Underground (Subway)

London Underground vehicles and heritage vehicles, and other structural subsystems provided predominantly for the provision of London Underground services or provided predominantly to ensure the compatibility of other services using LU infrastructure.

Tyne & Wear Metro (including vehicles running over Network Rail infrastructure)

Docklands Light Railway

Tram-Train (vehicles only when running over Network Rail infrastructure) (proposed)

Networks that are functionally separate from the rest of the mainline railway and intended only for the operation of local, urban or suburban passenger services as well as transport undertakings operating solely on these networks

Island Line: Isle of Wight (Ryde to Shanklin)

Old Dalby Test Track, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire

Stourbridge Town Branch Line: West Midlands (Stourbridge Junction to Stourbridge Town)

Maritime Transport Ltd - Northampton Gateway Strategic Rail Freight Interchange (SRFI)

Heritage, museum and tourist railways that operate on their own network

Note 1: Reference to rail systems in this category includes vehicles that are used (mainly) on any of the listed infrastructure - if such vehicles under this category are occasionally used for operation on the mainline railway (for example, a steam tour), then they continue to be excluded from scope, with respect to that operation subject to compliance with Note 4 below.

Note 2: All infrastructure and vehicles with a track gauge of 350mm or under are considered as automatically excluded from scope through blanket exemption in ROGS, even though some such rail systems might be included in the list below.

Note 3: See also Note 5 below in relation to tramways.

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Abbey Pumping Station Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Aberystwyth Electric Cliff Railway

Alford Valley Community Railway

Almond Valley Railway

Aln Valley Railway

Amberley Working Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Amerton Railway

Anglesey Central Railway

Apedale Valley Light Railway

Appleby Frodingham Railway

Astley Green Colliery Museum Railway

Avon Valley Railway

Babbacombe Cliff Railway

Bala Lake Railway

Barrow Hill Roundhouse Railway Centre (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Battlefield Line Railway

Beamish North of England Open Air Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Bicton Woodland Railway

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Bideford Railway Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Billing Miniature Railway

Blackpool Zoo Miniature Railway

Blenheim Park Railway

Black Country Living Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Bluebell Railway

Bodmin and Wenford Railway

Bo'ness and Kinneil Railway

Border Union Railway (Waverley Route Heritage Association)

Bournemouth Fishermans Walk Cliff Railway

Bowes Railway

Bradford Industrial Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Brecon Mountain Railway

Bredgar and Wormshill Light Railway

Bressingham Steam Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Bridgend Valleys Railway

Ridgnorth Castle Hill Railway

Bristol Harbour Railway

Buckinghamshire Railway Centre (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Bure Valley Railway

Burseldon Brickworks (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Burry Port and Gwendraeth Valley Railway

Caimgorm Mountain Railway

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Caledonian Railway

Cambrian Heritage Railway

Central Tramway Scarborough

Centre for Alternative Technology (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Chasewater Railway

Chatham Historic Dockyard Railway

Chinnor and Princes Risborough Railway

Chelsey and Wallingford Railway

Chumet Valley Railway

Cleethorpes Coast Light Railway

Cofne Valley Railway

Combe Martin Wildlife and Dinosaur Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Conkers Express

Conwy Valley Railway Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Corris Railway

Cotswold Wildlife Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Craigtoun Miniature Railway

Crossness – Royal Arsenal Narrow Gauge Railway

Crowle Peatland Railway

Darlington Railway Centre and Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Dartmoor Railway

Dartmouth Steam Railway

Dean Forest Railway

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Derwent Valley Light Railway

Devon Railway Centre (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Didcot Railway Centre (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Dolgarrog Railway

Drayton Manor Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Drusillas Zoo Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Dunaskin Heritage Centre (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

East Anglia Transport Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

East Anglian Railway Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

East Cliff Railway (Bournemouth)

East Hayling Light Railway

East Hill Cliff Railway (Hastings)

East Kent Railway

East Lancashire Railway

East Links Family Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

East Somerset Railway

East Suffolk Light Railway

Eaton Hall (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Ecclesborne Valley Railway

Eden Valley Railway

Elsecar Steam Railway

Embsay and Bolton Abbey Steam Railway

Epping Ongar Railway

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Evesham Vale Light Railway

Fairbourne Railway

Fawley Hill

Ffestiniog & Welsh Highland Railways

Fife Heritage Railway

Flamingo Land Theme Park and Zoo (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Foxfield Light Railway

Gartell Light Railway

Gloucestershire Warwickshire Railway

Golden Valley Light Railway

Great Bush Railway

Great Central Railway (Loughborough)

Great Central Railway (Nottingham)

Great Orme Tramway

Gullivers Theme Park, Warrington (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Gullivers World, Milton Keynes (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Gwili Steam Railway

Haigh Country Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Halesworth to Southwold Narrow Gauge Railway CIO

Hampton & Kempton Waterworks Railway

Heatherslaw Light Railway

Heaton Park Tramway

Helston Railway

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Hollycombe Steam Collection (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Hopewell Colliery Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Hythe Pier Railway

Imperial War Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Irchester Country Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Isle of Wight Steam Railway

Keighley and Worth Valley Railway

Keith and Dufftown Railway

Kent and East Sussex Railway

Kew Bridge Steam Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Knowsley Safari Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Lakeside and Haverthwaite Railway

Lakeside Miniature Railway

Lappa Valley Steam Railway

Launceston Steam Railway

Lavender Line

Leadhills and Wanlockhead Railway

Leas Cliff Railway (Folkestone)

Leeds Industrial Museum, Armley Mills (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Legoland, Windsor (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Leighton Buzzard Railway

Lightwater Valley Theme Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Lincolnshire Coast Light Railway

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Lincolnshire Wolds Railway

Llanberis Lake Railway

Llanelli and Mynydd Mawr Railway

Llangollen Railway

Llechwedd Slate Caverns (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Locomotion, the National Railway Museum at Shildon (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Longleat (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Lynton and Barnstaple Railway

Lynton and Lynmouth Cliff Railway

Mangapps Farm Railway Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Margam Country Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Mid-Hants Watercress Railway

Mid-Norfolk Railway

Mid-Suffolk Light Railway Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Middleton Railway

Midland Railway, Butterfey

Milkyway Adventure Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Morwellham Quay Historic Port and Copper Mine (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Mountsorrel & Rothley Community Heritage Centre

Museum of Science and Industry, Manchester (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

National Coal Mining Museum for England (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

National Railway Museum, York (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

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National Slate Museum, Llanberis (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

National Tramway Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Nene Valley Railway

North Bay Railway

North Gloucestershire Railway

North Ings Farm Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

North Norfolk Railway

North Yorkshire Moors Railway

Northampton and Lamport Steam Railway

Northamptonshire Ironstone Railway Trust

Oakwood Theme Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Old Kiln Light Railway

Queen Elizabeth II Country Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Paradise Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Paultons Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Peak Rail

Pembrey County Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Perrygrove Railway

Pleasure Beach Express

Pleasurewood Hills leisure Park (i.e. rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Plym Valley Railway

Pontypool and Blaenavon Railway

Prestongrange Industrial Heritage Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

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Ravenglass and Eskdale Railway

Rhyl Miniature Railway

Ribble Steam Railway

Ripon and District light Railway

Riviera Trains

Romney, Hythe and Dymchurch Railway

Rother Valley Railway

Royal Deeside Railway

Royal Gunpowder Mills (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Rudyard Lake Steam Railway (Operator: Leek & Rudyard Railway Ltd)

Rushdan, Higham and Wellingborough Railway

Rutland Railway Museum to Ashwell Station (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Saltburn Cliff Lift

Saltburn Miniature Railway

Scottish Industrial Railway Centre (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Seaton and District Electric Tramway

Severn Valley Railway

Shed 47 Railway Restoration Group (Operates as Lathalmond Railway Museum)

Sherwood Forest Theme Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Shipley Glen Tramway

Sittingbourne and Kemsley Light Railway

Snibston Colliery Railway

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Snowdon Mountain Railway

Somerset and Dorset Railway (Midsomer Norton)

South Cliff Railway (Scarborough)

South Devon Railway

South Tynedale Railway

Southend Cliff Railway

Southend Pier Railway

Spa Cliff Lift

Spa Valley Railway

St Nicholas Cliff Lift

Stainmore Railway

Statfold Barn Narrow Gauge Museum Trust (Statfold Barn Railway)

Steam, the Museum of the Great Western Railway (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Steeple Grange Light Railway

Strathspey Railway

Stephenson Railway Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Stone Line

Strumpshaw Steam Railway Museum (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Summerlee Heritage Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Swanage Railway (Purbeck Line)

Swindon and Cricklade Railway

Talylyn Railway Co

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Tanfield Railway

Tarka Valley Railway

Teifi Valley Railway

Telford Steam Railway

The Ashover Light Railway Society

Thorpe Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Threlkeld Quarry Railway

Tyseley Locomotive Works (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Vale of Berkeley Railway

Vale of Glamorgan Railway

Vale of Rheidol Railway

Valley International Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Volks Electric Railway

Weardale Railway

Wells & Walsingham Light Railway

Welsh Highland Heritage Railway

Welshpool and Llanfair Light Railway

Wensleydale Railway

West Cliff Railway (Bournemouth)

West Hill Cliff Railway (Hastings)

West Lancashire Light Railway

West Somerset Railway

Westonzoyland Railway

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Whipsnade Wild Animal Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Whistlestop Valley

Whitwell & Reepham Railway

Wicksteed Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Windmill Animal Farm Railway (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Wirral Tramway

Birkenhead Heritage Tramway

Woburn Safari Park (i.e., rail vehicle tracks within its grounds)

Yaxham Light Railway

Yeovil Railway Centre (i.e., rail vehicle tracks)

Yorkshire Wolds Railway

Heritage vehicles that operate on the mainline railway and comply with 'national safety rules' as defined in ROGS

Note 4: In addition to complying with all applicable national safety rules, heritage vehicles operating on the mainline railway must also comply with the industry standard RIS-3440-TOM for operation of heritage vehicles on the mainline railway in order to meet the conditions of this exclusion.

North Yorkshire Moors Railway

Swanage Railway

Trams and Tramways

Note 5: The definition of 'railway' in ROGS does not include tramways, so they are automatically excluded from the scope of the mainline railway requirements. Some sections of the mainline railway that are street running and operate by line of sight may fit the definition of 'tramway'. To clarify that the mainline railway in these circumstances is not excluded, tramways have been added to this list.

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Blackpool and Fleetwood Tramway

Greater Manchester Metrolink

London Tramlink

Midland Metro

Nottingham Express Transit

Southport Pier Tramway

South Yorkshire (Sheffield) Supertram

Edinburgh Tram

Greater Manchester Metrolink

Midland Metro: (proposed extensions to Birmingham New Street Station and Wolverhampton City Centre)

Nottingham Express Transit [proposed extensions to Chilwell (via QMC) and Beeston and Clifton (via Wilford)]

Tram-Train (vehicles only, when operating on a tramway) (proposed)



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