

Nottingham's **expanded tram network** is just around the corner...



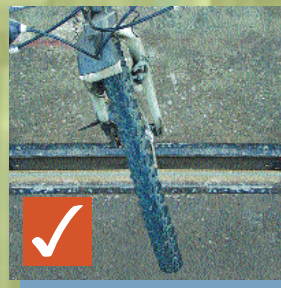
Cycle Safely Near Tram Lines

If you are a regular cyclist in Nottingham, you may be aware of how to cycle along tram routes safely. But whether you are new to cycling - or an experienced cyclist around the tramway - there are some important things you'll need to remember.

This leaflet highlights some key safety points for cyclists so please read it carefully.



Now that tram track laying is nearing completion, you may find that some familiar cycle routes have rails in the road and that very soon trams will begin running on the same streets that cyclists use. It is important to take extra care in these areas to ensure your safety and avoid getting into difficulties.



Special cycle paths are being constructed so, where possible, cyclists can use designated cycle routes and crossing points while crossing the tracks. But cyclists still need to get used to cycling near tram tracks and sharing the road with trams as well as other traffic.

When cycling alongside the tram track take care and stay clear of the rails. Avoid cycling on the rails as they can be slippery - especially when wet or icy.

If crossing the tracks always cross at a wide angle - preferably at 90 degrees - to stop your wheels from getting stuck in the rail grooves. Try to avoid sudden movements, such as braking or quickly changing your direction while crossing the tracks.

Trams will be a new addition to your area so pay extra attention to your surroundings.

Prepare to cross tracks well in advance and check behind early enough to ensure your manoeuvre is not rushed. Make other road users aware of your intentions, through appropriate hand signals.

For any queries, please contact the NET Phase Two hotline on: (0115) 924 24 54 www.thetram.net/phasetwo

Remember: If in doubt, get off your bike and cross the tramway on foot. We would advise wearing a helmet.



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