

Ground Operations

Vehicles and Equipment – Parking Brakes Not Set

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Introduction

This safety alert has been issued as a result of a spate of incidents where drivers of vehicles/equipment have failed to apply their parking brakes resulting in damage, road traffic collisions and near misses. This alert acts as a reminder to all airside driving permit holders of their obligations whilst operating a vehicle/equipment in the airside environment.

Airside driving permit holder requirements when operating vehicles/equipment:

- 1. Ensure that a vehicle daily inspection is undertaken and any faults reported using your companies reporting process;
- 2. Ensure that you are familiar with the vehicle that you are driving and the location of the vehicles controls. If you are unfamiliar with the vehicle or processes, please ensure you report this to your line manager/ the relevant channels within your company;
- 3. Once you have finished parking, ensure that your vehicles parking brake is effectively set. A failure to do so may cause damage to people, vehicles, infrastructure or aircraft;
- 4. Please be reminded that a failure to set the parking brake of the vehicle may result in points being issued against your ADP in accordance with ASDRVE_OSI_087

Enquiries

Any questions regarding this Safety Alert should be addressed to the Heathrow Airside Standards and Assurance Team at airside_safety@heathrow.com
Additional information, Operational Safety Instructions (OSIs) and Operational Advice Notices (OANs) can be found at heathrow.com/airside/useful-publications

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