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Safety Alert

Taxiway Incursions on Foot

1. Introduction

The purpose of this Safety Alert is to highlight a recent trend in pedestrians entering the manoeuvring area without authorisation. There have been several recorded instances in the past six months of pedestrians crossing taxiways on foot.

Pedestrians have been observed crossing cul-de-sacs or walking across uncontrolled vehicle crossings to access other parts of the airfield.



2. Safety Considerations

- The delineation between the ramp and the manoeuvring area is marked by double white lines, as depicted above.
- Pedestrians are not authorised to cross the double-white lines other than when involved in aircraft push back activities.
- Pedestrians that are required to enter the manoeuvring area for the purposes of aircraft push back activities are required to have a number '6' on their airside ID card.
- Uncontrolled taxiway crossings are for the use of vehicles only. Using these crossings on foot is strictly prohibited.
- Unauthorised entry into the manoeuvring area either on foot or within a vehicle is classed as a taxiway incursion and must be immediately reported to Airside Operations.

Enquiries

Any questions regarding this Safety Alert should be addressed to 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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