

HSEQ Bulletin

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Rail Level Crossing Procedure – Gate 4

Recent events have prompted an upgrade of the Security Gate 4 electronic opening mechanism. The gate now includes a control which works in conjunction with rail traffic proximity sensors. Accordingly, an amendment to Port Railway Level Crossing Procedure 4.74 has also been made, below is a summary of the changes:

1. Use of security gate 4 is now restricted to vehicle crossings only:

- Vehicles can utilise the level crossing with an electronic gate remote issued to specific port personnel.
- No pedestrian traffic will be allowed through the level crossing.
- All pedestrians requiring to enter the port at this location must now use the overpass.

2. Use of the gate for vehicles:

- The procedure still places the onus on the vehicle driver to ensure the way is clear before opening the gates and proceeding over the level crossing.
- Operation of the gates is now restricted (during rail operations) by an automated train alarm / lock out system.
- An amber flashing light mounted atop the south end gate posts on each side of the level crossing visible to approaching road traffic alerts users that a train has activated the lock-out system. The gates will not operate until the light stops flashing.
- Vehicles are not permitted to stop on the level crossing.

Gate 4 remotes are coded to individuals and usage is monitored electronically and by camera. Failure to follow the rules may result in removal of your Gate 4 access rights.

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