Practice safety while waiting for a train

- Always stand behind the textured warning strips.
- Don’t stand on/near the tracks. Trains have an overhang and may still hit you even if you are not on the track.
- Never step in front of a train. There is no need to step in front of the rail vehicle or flag it down. The vehicle will only stop at designated stops.
- Keep away from all overhead wires that power trains. These high voltage wires will cause serious injury.
- Don’t let your smartphone be a distraction. The tracks are for trains, not selfies. Stay alert. Stay alive.

As CATS prepares for the LYNX Blue Line Extension, we want everyone to be safe. Stay alert and follow the rules!

TIME OUT FOR SAFETY!

See Tracks? Think Train!

For more information on CATS, LYNX and CityLYNX services, call 704-336-RIDE (7433) or visit www.ridetransit.org
• As you approach a railroad crossing, always expect a train. Trains can run on any track, at any time, from either direction.

• Never drive around lowered crossing gates. It is illegal and dangerous. Even if you can’t see the rail vehicle, that doesn’t mean it isn’t coming.

• Never race a train to a crossing. You’ll always lose.

• Trains can’t stop as quickly as you can. It takes 600 ft. (that’s two football fields!) for a train to stop.

• Trains cannot swerve out of the way of pedestrians, cyclists, or vehicles. It’s your responsibility to stay out of the way of the light rail and streetcar.

• Trespassing on and around tracks is unlawful. That means you may be subject to criminal prosecution for being and remaining on or near the track without authorization.

• Only cross tracks at designated crosswalks. There are clearly marked signs showing you safe areas to cross the tracks.

• Cross tracks straight on when riding a bicycle. Cross tracks straight on when riding a bicycle.

• Never go onto tracks – they may be electrified. If you drop something, alert a station agent, police officer or other company personnel.

Safety is everyone’s responsibility

• Trains always have the right-of-way. All day, every day.

• Never enter into a construction area. It is dangerous and being in construction areas without authorization is considered trespassing.

• Report all suspicious packages, activities, and/or individuals on a train, at a station, or on the tracks.