

WATCH OUT FOR POWER LINES

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Every year in the UK drivers of large vehicles or plant are killed and many more are seriously injured when their vehicle comes into contact or too close to overhead power lines. Anyone driving large vehicles or plant on, or near, agricultural land should be extra vigilant of overhead power lines which can carry voltages of up to 132,000 volts.

STAY SAFE STAY INSIDE CALL 105 IF FIRE JUMP CLEAR

STAYING SAFE NEAR POWER LINES

- Take a good look around and above you.
- If possible stay away from power lines by choosing an alternative route.
- Do not drive beneath a power line or raise the bed of a tipper truck near power lines unless you have checked that clearances are adequate.
- Always lower the bed of your tipper truck before moving off.
- Be aware that ground levels may have changed since your last visit and clearance may not be enough, risk assess each situation and on each occasion.

- Have our contact details inside your cab - you can email: safety.information @northernpowergrid.com to get a free in cab sticker.
- Carry a mobile phone at all times and store 105, the number to call in an emergency.
- Power lines can become live again at any time automatically - always treat as live.
- Remind others to stay clear. Power lines which have been damaged can stay live or automatically become live again at any time, without warning.
- Always report any contact or damage to equipment, however minor it seems.

If in doubt - call 105 for free safety advice or for non-urgent enquiries and to get our free in-cab safety stickers email safety.information@northernpowergrid.com

MORE INFORMATION

Detailed safety advice about working near power lines and safety clearances can be found on Northern Powergrid's website **northernpowergrid.com/look-up-its-live**



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IF YOU COME TOO CLOSE OR HIT POWER LINES YOU SHOULD

- 1. DRIVE WELL CLEAR If safe to do so drive clear and call 105.
- NOT SAFE TO DRIVE CLEAR
 Stay in the cab - call 105 warn others to stay away.
- 3. NOT SAFE TO STAY IN CAB - JUMP WELL CLEAR ensuring you do not make contact with the ground and the vehicle at the same time - DO NOT STEP DOWN.

4. LEAPING STRIDES

Try to land with both feet together and continue to jump clear making leaping strides, so that one foot is off the ground at all times.

5. WARN OTHERS

Warn others to stay clear, report the incident immediately, always assume power lines are live - call 105.



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