



CAUTION AT RAILWAY CROSSINGS!



Recently two American citizens have died in collisions with trains on railway crossings in Germany. This prompts Deutsche Bahn (German Railway Corporation) to inform U.S. citizens about the particular forms of railway crossing signs and safety provisions.



Railway crossing with cross buck (X-shaped sign) and steady light signal (yellow and red light signal)

No light signal means: There is no train approaching, but stay alert!

Yellow light signal: Train approaching, STOP or vacate the railway tracks IMMEDIATELY!

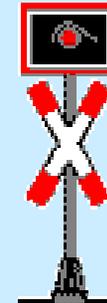
Red light signal: STOP!

Railway crossing with cross buck and blinking light

No blinking light signal: There is no train approaching, but stay alert!

Red blinking light signal: STOP!

In some U.S. states railway crossings have installations with blinking lights regardless of whether there is a train approaching or not. This is NOT the case in Germany, blinking lights always mean STOP – TRAIN APPROACHING.



Railway crossing with cross buck and gate and blinking light signal or light signal.

No light signal: There is no train approaching, but stay alert!

Yellow light signal: STOP or vacate the railway tracks IMMEDIATELY!

Red light signal/red blinking light signal: STOP, gates closing.

Some gates only block one half of the road. NEVER attempt to make a detour around them, even if no train is in sight. Approaching trains can be very fast and very silent !