

SAFETY FIRST

THE CANADIAN RAILWAY GUARANTEE



Our members take rail safety seriously - in fact it's their number one priority. Canadian railways are among the safest in the world - something we are extremely proud of. Our members follow strict guidelines to ensure that Canadians who work in rail or who live near rail are always protected. These steps include training first responders on dangerous good transportation, investing in infrastructure, operating the newest safety technology and so much more.



- Over the past 10 years, the freight rail sector's accident rate improved by 18.9%, and the dangerous goods accident rate improved by 33.6% - a testament to our members' commitment to safety.



- In the past decade, Canada's railways have invested \$21.6 billion into their networks to improve safety, resiliency, and network fluidity. A strong infrastructure means a strong safety culture.



- Operation Lifesaver is a program dedicated to the prevention of collisions at railway crossings, as well as the reduction of railway trespassing incidents in Canada. They believe the key to achieving this goal is through public education. Since 2017, there have been thousands of events held from coast to coast in order to continue saving lives.



- Since 2000, RAC's Dangerous Goods Team has supported members with the TRANSCAER program by participating in an average of 65 events per year - providing training to first responders and other personnel on the safe transportation of dangerous goods. Over 18,500 first responders have been trained.



- 2015 saw the launch of the AskRail™ mobile app. This free app provides nearly tens of thousands of first responders with access to accurate, timely data about what type of hazardous materials a railcar is carrying so they can make an informed decision about how to respond to a rail emergency.



- Each year, millions of passengers travel safely on Canada's railways, thanks to strict regulations and the continuous hard work from our members.



- Did you know that rail is the most #sustainable way to move goods from coast to coast to coast in Canada? That's right - with such a vast country, rail is not only green, but also the safest way to move goods such as grain, medicine and even hazardous goods such as gasoline or essential chemicals.



- Over 99.99 per cent of dangerous goods carloads moved by train reach their destination without a release caused by an accident.

