

Attention RTO Members

Three Fatal 12-9's in *One* Weekend

This past weekend we had three fatal 12-9's, an unusually high occurrence. This is due to passengers jumping, falling, being pushed, falling between cars when crossing between cars of a train or attempting to climb onto trains while they are moving. None of these incidents were caused by improper operation by any T/O or C/R. However, we might prevent some incidents especially those where a passenger jumps, falls or is pushed in front of an oncoming train.

Train operators can increase their reaction time by entering stations with extra care. This may help reduce these traumatizing incidents. So in the interest of safety, train operators should enter stations, especially crowded stations, with enhanced care. Even if we prevent one tragedy, it will be worth it.



Men killed in Manhattan subway tunnel and at station staircase in Queens

Accidents near Union Square and in East Elmhurst, Queens

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A man was killed in a subway tunnel by an L train near this station on Third Ave.

Four people were killed — two on the L train in Manhattan — in four separate accidents in the city transit system on Saturday.

At about 10 p.m., straphangers were greeted by the gruesome scene of a man's head wedged between the train car and the platform when they stepped off the L train at the Sixth Ave. subway station.

Cops could not say how the man became pinned by the train.

Earlier in the day, at the nearby 14th St. station, just one stop west on the L line, Brian O'Mara, 22, of Long Island man was struck and killed while wandering around inside a tunnel between stations about 8:30 a.m., said police. It is unclear what he was doing in the tunnel, said cops.

In Brooklyn, an unidentified man was struck and killed by an A train at the Nostrand Ave. station at Fulton St. in Flatbush about 4:30 p.m.,

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