Rail Accident and Incident Investigation Unit

Bulletin of General Information Incident with numerous vehicles on a level crossing Moelingen 3 March 2020



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In case of contradiction between certain words and terms, it is necessary to refer to the Dutch version.



GENERAL INFORMATION

Nature of the event:

Traffic offences: numerous vehicles (in this case cars, vans, a bus) cross a level crossing while the red lights flash on and off alternately.

Type of safety investigation:

Limited investigation. *The investigation is on-going.*

Date and time of the event:

3 March 2020 between 4:23:24 pm and 4:57:15 pm.

Place of the event: Line 40, level crossing 28. Schansweg in Moelingen.

<u>Train:</u> There are no trains involved.

Victims: There are no victims.

Damages: There is no damage.



Source: Google Maps

FACTS

On 3 March around 4:23 pm, the operation of level crossing 28 on line 40 is disrupted: the red lights flash on and off alternately but the barriers on both sides of the level crossing are not closed. Despite the red flashing traffic lights, numerous road users cross the level crossing in both directions.

The road users showing such inadequate driving behaviour at the level crossing are drivers of both cars, vans, and a bus.



Screenshots as seen on RTL from an anonymous source



The safety investigation will include aspects such as the failure of the level crossing, the compliance with procedures, the measures taken, the risks for road users who ignore red flashing lights at level crossings, ...

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