

# Safety notice

Person hit by a train

Bruxelles-Nord / Brussel-Noord – 27/05/2026

## REPORT VERSION TABLE

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*For ease of reading, the masculine form is used to refer to certain roles, but these terms apply to all people.*

*Any use of this notice with a different aim than of accident prevention - for example in order to attribute liability - individual or collective blame in particular - would be a complete distortion of the aims of this notice, the methods used to assemble it, the selection of facts collected, the nature of questions posed and the ideas organising it, to which the notion of liability is unknown. The conclusions which could be deduced from this would therefore be abusive in the literal sense of the term.*

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

## 1. Facts

On 27 May 2026, at around 8:44 p.m., a person fell from the platform at Bruxelles-Nord / Brussel-Noord station and was hit by an incoming train.

## 2. Circumstances of the event

### 2.1. Geographical situation

**Location:** Bruxelles-Nord / Brussel-Noord station (Brussels-Capital Region)



### 2.2. Weather conditions

At the moment of the accident, the weather is dry and visibility is over 200 metres.

## 3. Infrastructure involved

### 3.1. Railway infrastructure

Line 25, platform 11 at Bruxelles-Nord / Brussel-Noord station. Podotactile paving, also known as detectable warning tiles, alerts passengers with a visual impairment to the proximity of the edge of the platform. The paving indicates the minimum safe distance from the edge of the platform for all passengers, just like the yellow line on the platform.



## 4. Train involved

Train E3419, operated by the railway undertaking SNCB/NMBS, was running from Binche to Turnhout and was scheduled to stop at Bruxelles-Nord / Brussel-Noord station. The train consisted of nine M6 carriages.

## 5. Damage and impact

### 5.1. Physical injuries

The victim was seriously injured.

### 5.2. Impact on train traffic

| Train type           | Cancelled | Delayed (minutes) |
|----------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Passenger trains     | 3         | 4 (28)            |
| Freight trains       | -         | -                 |
| International trains | -         | -                 |

## 6. Conclusions

The passenger train was entering Bruxelles-Nord / Brussel-Noord station at platform 11 for a scheduled stop. At that moment, a person stepped into the area between the podotactile paving and the edge of the platform. The person lost their balance, was hit by the train and ended up between the train and the platform. The person was seriously injured and was taken to hospital.

## 7. Important points to note

- Stay behind the podotactile paving or the yellow line when a train is entering, passing through or calling at a station.
- Do not use the area between the safety markings and the edge of the platform as a waiting area.

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