

WHAT ARE THE UPGRADES AND CHANGES?

Permitted vehicles

Once the required works have been completed all vehicles will be reintroduced into the tunnel.

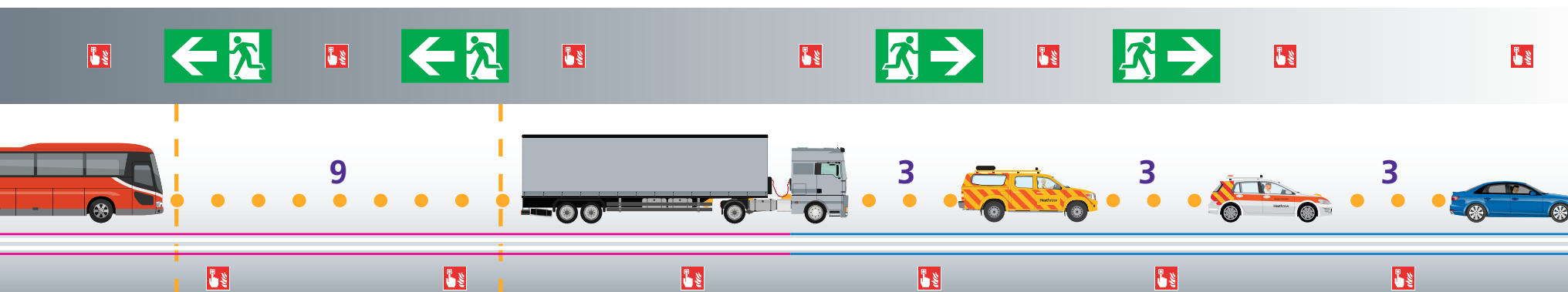
This includes all buses (incl. crew coaching) and construction related vehicles. Companies affected will be notified when they can restart using the tunnel.

Spacing requirements

- All buses / coaches (including crew coaching) must maintain a distance of over 108 metres (**nine dots / two reflective bands**) from the vehicle in front at all times, including when stationary. Additional reflective studs and painted 'bands' across the road mark 108m spacing.
- All other vehicles must maintain a **three dot spacing** to the vehicle in front.

Additional enhancements

- Manual call points at 30m spacing on alternate sides of the tunnel at road level
- Emergency phones and extinguishers located at walkway level
- Public Announcements will advise drivers on actions to be taken in event of an emergency
- Emergency exit signage advising users on distances from exits
- New wind deflectors will be installed to improve smoke ventilation at both ends of the tunnel
- Tunnel is monitored through linear heat detection and CCTV.



Actions in the event of a fire

- If smoke is coming from your vehicle, drive out of the tunnel if safe to do so
- If you cannot drive out, leave on foot by the nearest and safest route
- There are assembly points at both ends of the tunnel
- Use a manual call point or 0208 759 1212 (222) to alert APOC
- Listen to announcements through the PA system
- Wind deflectors will lower after two minutes to two metres above the road
- Red crosses will be displayed outside the tunnel to advise drivers not to enter
- **Vehicles able to drive under the deflector should do so, all others must evacuate on foot.**

