

HEIGHT RESTRICTIONS AT LEVEL CROSSINGS IN AUCKLAND

New electric trains are on their way for Auckland. This means changes for some road users at level crossings.

Changes for road users

The overhead electrical wires needed to power the trains are now being progressively installed around the rail network. There will now be height restrictions at all **31 level crossings** within the Auckland electrified area. These height restrictions are in place to keep road users and rail passengers safe, by ensuring nothing touches the wires or comes too close to them. The height restriction at the majority of level crossings will be 5 metres. At 11 level crossings a lower restriction of 4.25 metres is necessary.

Signs

Signs at level crossings will warn road users of the presence of overhead electrical wires and the height restrictions.

How to apply

- If the operator of a vehicle establishes that any part of the vehicle or its load exceeds the safe height (as sign posted), including radio aerials, they must obtain written permission from KiwiRail before crossing.
- To obtain permission contact the KiwiRail Operations Support desk on **04 474 2323** or email: crossing.permits@kiwirail.co.nz or visit www.kiwirail.co.nz.
- Allow at least five working days for the permit application to be processed. These are additional requirements to NZTA's general operating requirements for over dimension vehicles as laid down by Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Dimensions and Mass 2002 and its amendments.



Be safe

- If carrying or towing a high load or object check the height of your load (including radio aerials), plan your journey well in advance and make sure that everything you are carrying or towing is under the height restriction.
- Always obey all warning signs and alarms at level crossings and do not queue on a level crossing or begin to move across one until you are certain your vehicle can completely clear it.
- In the event of an emergency on or near a Level Crossing call the Train Control Emergency line on **0800 808 400**. All overhead wires must be treated as live at all times. Stay safe, by staying clear of them.

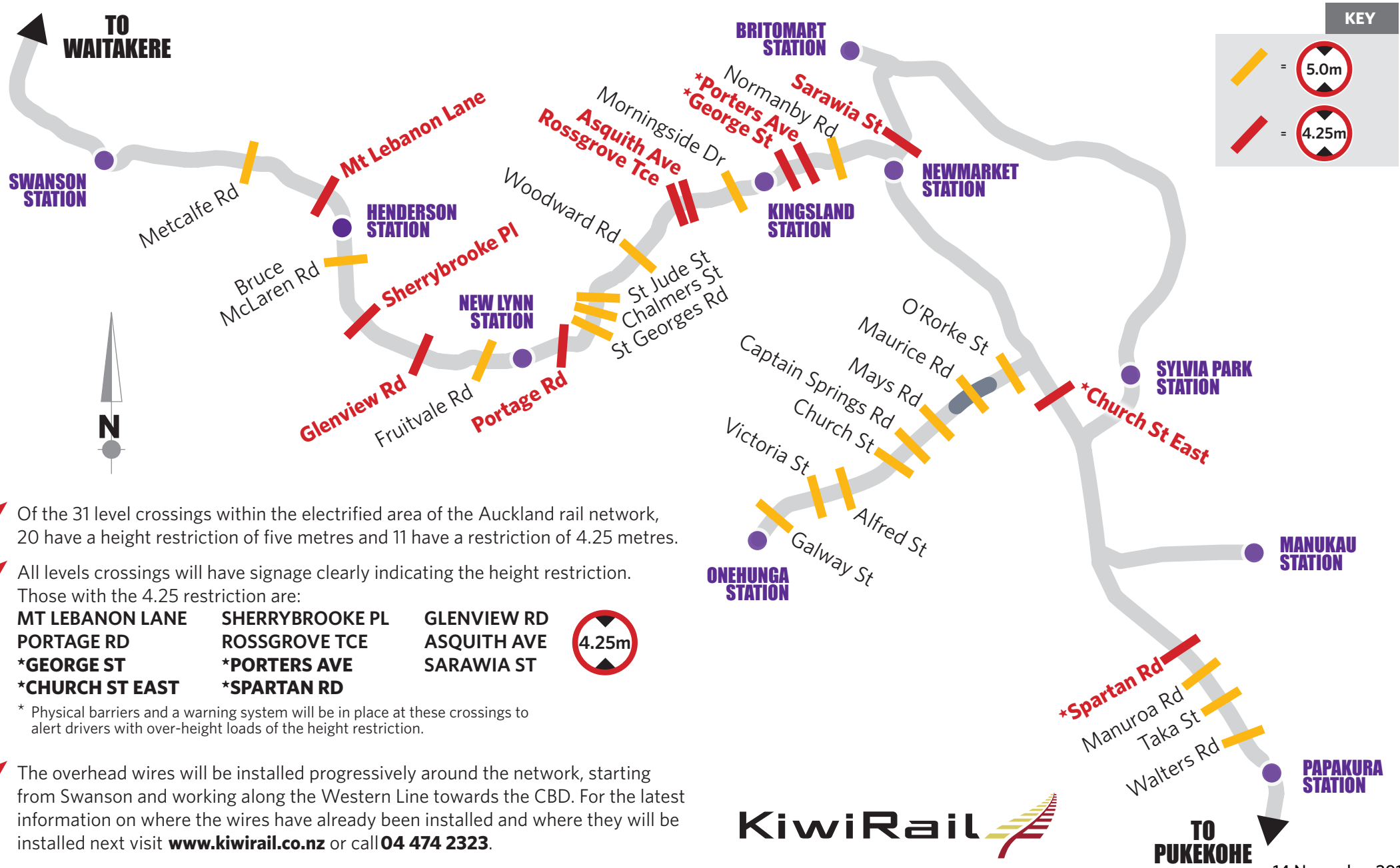


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Height restrictions for **level crossings** within the Auckland electrified area



⚡ Of the 31 level crossings within the electrified area of the Auckland rail network, 20 have a height restriction of five metres and 11 have a restriction of 4.25 metres.

⚡ All levels crossings will have signage clearly indicating the height restriction. Those with the 4.25 restriction are:

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| MT LEBANON LANE | SHERRYBROOKE PL | GLENVIEW RD |  |
| PORTAGE RD | ROSSGROVE TCE | ASQUITH AVE | |
| *GEORGE ST | *PORTERS AVE | SARAWIA ST | |
| *CHURCH ST EAST | *SPARTAN RD | | |

* Physical barriers and a warning system will be in place at these crossings to alert drivers with over-height loads of the height restriction.

⚡ The overhead wires will be installed progressively around the network, starting from Swanson and working along the Western Line towards the CBD. For the latest information on where the wires have already been installed and where they will be installed next visit www.kiwirail.co.nz or call **04 474 2323**.

