

Engineering Work Alterations

May 2026

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NATIONAL SUMMARY

Nothing to report at the time of posting.

ALL OPERATORS INCLUDING FREIGHTLINER

The reported alterations below focus on railway corridors which are operated by class 90s for Freightliner, but these alterations also apply to other operators who do not use Class 90s too.

West Coast Main Line

A busy month yet again for engineering work on the WCML. See below for a high-level summary that I have been able to piece together.

- Saturday 2nd and 9th plus Sunday 3rd, 10th and 31st May – limited capacity on the WCML south of Milton Keynes to and from Euston. It is anticipated that freight should be able to run but there could be some cancellations and alterations to schedules. Reduced passenger operations throughout the period.
- Sunday 10th May – in addition to the above, the WCML is shut between Stafford and Wolverhampton resulting in altered schedules, cancellations, and diversions.
- Sunday 24th and 31st May – the WCML will be blocked between Warrington Bank Quay and Wigan North Western/Preston. This will result in diversions via Manchester and Bolton or the East Midlands and the ECML. Check RTT for individual services.
- Saturday 30th and Sunday 31st May – the route between Rugby and Birmingham International will be shut. This will result in altered schedules, cancellations and diversions. Check RTT for individual trains.

There were no other known alterations to report on at the time of publication. However, engineering work does take place on various sections of the WCML during the week and at weekends at short notice. It is advisable to check real-time data sources for specific trains on specific days just to be sure that the train you're looking for is a runner or diverted.

East Anglia / GEML

There were no known alterations to report on for May at the time of publication as most alterations will impact on the route via Bury St Edmonds for a number of weekends. However, engineering work does take place on various sections of the GEML during the week and at weekends at short notice. It is advisable to check real-time data sources for specific trains, on specific days just to be sure that the train you're looking for is a runner or diverted.

DB CARGO

WCML / Scotland / Midlands / NW England:

Alterations for DB Cargo are no longer reported for the time being.
