

Man critical after being hit by tram

A man was critically injured when he was hit by a tram in St Kilda yesterday afternoon.

Police said the man, believed to be aged between 35 and 40, was crossing Fitzroy Street about 5pm when he stepped into the path of a tram. Shopkeepers and passers-by ran to the man's aid.

He was taken to The Alfred hospital with critical head injuries, Nine News reported. His condition was later upgraded to serious but stable.

Yarra Trams was forced to divert route 3a/16 and cancel route 96 between St Kilda station and Acland Street. Nine News said the tram was packed with passengers at the time of the incident.

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