

PC30 offence 12/2/14

This occurred at 6.30pm on a night of heavy rain & wind. I made a brief stop of less than 1 minute to handover a pizza to a customer waiting near a push button controlled crossing. In the dark and rain I did not realise the car had not completely cleared the zig zags, about 1/3 was behind. I was focused on stepping near the customer and completing the handover quickly, so that they could get back in out of the rain & cold. There was nobody else around at this time.

I was told by the passing officer that this sort of offence is normally dealt with by a course, without any penalty points. However when the letter came through, it seems that I did not qualify for the course because of the previous CU30 offence in July last year.

I accept that technically this was an offence, although the circumstances were largely due to being customer focused in adverse weather conditions at night. I believe that the fixed penalty is sufficient in this instance.

J. Carr 25/2/14