

## Drive and park safely near schools

# ROAD SAFETY INFORMATION

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR CHILDREN'S SAFETY WHEN THEY ARE TRAVELLING TO AND FROM SCHOOL.

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The beginning and end of the school day are busy times for pedestrians and drivers outside schools.

**You can help keep children safe by remembering the following:**

- drop off and pick up children on the school side of the road
- never call out to children from across the road – it is very dangerous
- always take extra care when driving in 40km school zones
- follow all parking signs – these help keep children as safe as possible
- park responsibly even if this means you have to walk further to the school gate
- never double park – it is illegal and puts children at risk
- never do a U-turn or three-point turn outside the school as it puts children at risk of harm
- model safe and considerate pedestrian and driver behaviours to your children.

**When travelling in a car ensure your children:**

- use a booster seat if they are aged between 4 and 7 years old – it's the law
- are correctly buckled up in their seatbelts
- always get in and out of the car through the 'safety door' – the rear door on the footpath side of the car
- are never left alone in the car.



**Up to 6 months**  
Approved rear-facing  
child car seat



**6 months to 4 years**  
Approved rear- or  
forward-facing child  
car seat



**4+ years**  
Approved forward-  
facing child car seat or  
booster seat



**145cm or taller**  
Suggested minimum  
height to use adult lap-  
sash seatbelt

### For further support

Go to the department's Road Safety Education program at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/road-safety-education> or visit <https://education.nsw.gov.au> and search for road safety education.