

School zones, signs and restrictions around schools



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School zones

School zones apply 24 hours a day, 7 days a week throughout the year.

What do they look like?

White zigzag lines are marked on the road, showing you are approaching a school zone. Signs indicate the start and end of school zones.



How do they work?

School zones have a speed limit of 25 km/h at any time when a child is in the zone, whenever a child is on the road, footpath, median strip, even if they are on a bike. A child is any person less than 18 years of age and includes a student of any age wearing school uniform.

What should pedestrians do?

Whenever pedestrians cross the road in a school zone they should use the STOP LOOK LISTEN THINK procedure.

What must drivers do?

All drivers, bike riders and motorcyclists must travel at no more than 25 km/h between the signs that state WHEN CHILDREN PRESENT.

Signs and restrictions around schools

Drivers must not stop at any time for any reason in an area marked NO STOPPING or NO STANDING.

Drivers must not stop in a NO PARKING zone unless for the immediate purpose of picking up or dropping off passengers. The driver must remain with their vehicle and be in the zone for no more than 2 minutes.

Some schools have drop off and pick up (kiss n drop, kiss and ride, pick up/drop off) zones. Some are situated on roads outside the school and others are within school grounds. Check with your child's school for any rules that apply when using these zones and be mindful that congestion in these zones increases the risk for children.

Drivers, bike riders and motorcyclists travelling in either direction must not exceed 25km/hr when passing a school bus that has stopped for the purpose of setting down or picking up children.

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