

Road Safety in the City of Sydney

Road safety in Sydney is important to everyone, particularly around school zones. Children, especially those in Primary School, are small, harder to see, behave unpredictably and are extremely vulnerable. This brochure has been designed to provide you with an understanding of the School's Traffic Management Plan. Please take time to read this brochure and to contact the School on 9332 1133 or feedback@sceggs.nsw.edu.au if you have any questions or suggestions about managing traffic around the School.



NO PARKING

This sign indicates that you have a maximum of two minutes to drop-off or pick-up and must remain in your vehicle. Disobeying this sign incurs a fine in excess of \$183 and the **loss of two demerit points**.

SEAT BELTS

Children aged between four and seven years old cannot travel in the front seat of a vehicle with two or more rows, unless all other back seats are occupied by children younger than seven years old in a car seat. The suggested minimum height for a child to use an adult lap-sash belt is 145cm. Make it a rule that every passenger must be securely buckled before you start your vehicle. The fine for driving with just one unrestrained passenger exceeds \$330 and incurs the **loss of three demerit points**.

PARKING

Parking signs with specified time limits allow drivers to park their vehicles for a certain period of time. Double parking, that is, stopping or parking your car alongside a car that is already parked parallel to the kerb, is not permitted. Double parking in a school zone incurs a fine more than \$330 and the **loss of two demerit points**.

U-TURNS

U-turns in the vicinity of the School are discouraged. This manoeuvre in a traffic-dense area is unsafe and blocks traffic flow. Illegal U-turns can attract penalties up to \$439 and the **loss of four demerit points**.

NO STOPPING

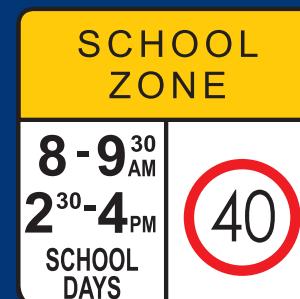
This sign indicates that you cannot stop for any reason, including when queuing for a space. It is illegal to park less than 10 metres from a corner, even if it is not signposted. Parking on the corner blocks vision for turning drivers and creates a hazard for all motorists, pedestrians and especially for children trying to cross the road. Ignoring this sign incurs a penalty in excess of \$439 and the **loss of four demerit points**.

MOBILE PHONES

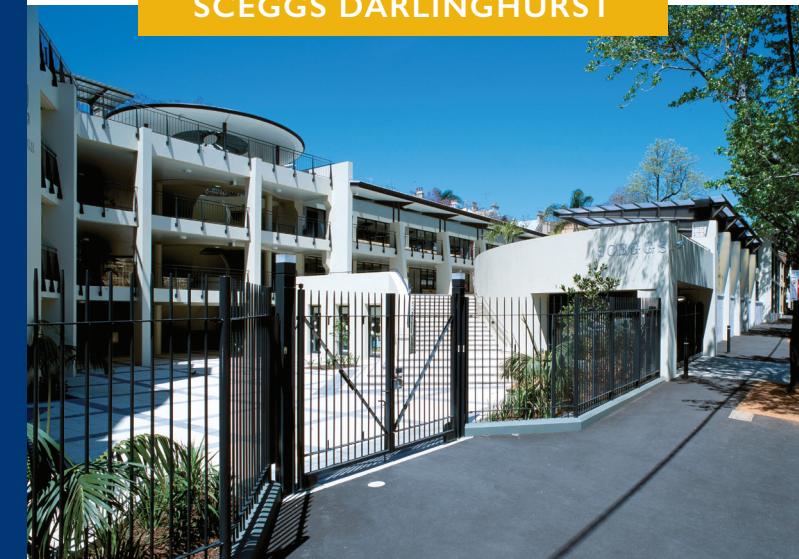
Please do not use your mobile phone while driving. The fine for using your mobile phone while driving can exceed \$330 and the **loss of four demerit points**.

SPEEDING

40km/h school zones operate on all school days as determined by NSW Government School Term dates. The 40km/h school zone also apply on staff development days or pupil free days. The maximum penalty for speeding in a designated school zone is \$3,740 and the **loss of seven demerit points**.



SCEGGS DARLINGHURST



Traffic and Pedestrian Management

Keeping our girls, families and the broader community safe

Your guide to driving safely during school drop-off and pick-up time around SCEGGS Darlinghurst

The beginning and end of the school day are busy times for pedestrians and vehicles outside the School. It is particularly important to take extra care at this time and be mindful of the 40km/h school zone which is in operation between 8.00am – 9.30am and 2.30pm – 4.00pm.

You can assist by:

- Delaying your arrival until 2.55pm if your daughter is in Kindergarten – Year 2 and 3.10pm for those in Year 3 – Year 12. The girls will not arrive at the gates before these times. If your daughter is not at the gate upon your arrival, be prepared to be directed to go around the block.
- Driving to the front of the pick-up zone queue so that as many cars as possible can pull in behind you. Don't just park in front of the school gate.
- Ensuring that all passengers have their seatbelts securely fastened before pulling away from the curb.
- Displaying the sign provided to you with your family name if your daughter is in Kindergarten – Year 5. Please don't assume that Traffic Management staff will be familiar with you or your vehicle.
- Being considerate of our neighbours and not blocking traffic in Bourke and Forbes Streets.
- Remaining in your vehicle. For their safety, children should only enter and exit vehicles directly onto the kerb. If this is not possible due to baby capsules or other child restraints, please consider how you might organise your children to ensure their safety.
- Using designated crossings.
- Following the instructions of the Traffic Controllers.
- Letting grandparents and other carers know this information if they are going to drop-off and/or pick-up your daughter.

Safety is compromised when:

- You jump the queue of waiting traffic. If you are in the queue, do not move to the pick-up zone until you are certain that space is available.
- Vehicles are double parked and children are trying to walk across Bourke or Forbes Streets.
- Vehicles stop on pedestrian crossings.
- Vehicles overtake illegally on the wrong side of the road to pass other vehicles waiting in the car line.
- A U-turn is attempted in the vicinity of the School.
- Vehicles pull into school driveways to drop-off or collect children.

