Where are your kids?



Childsafetyin your driveway

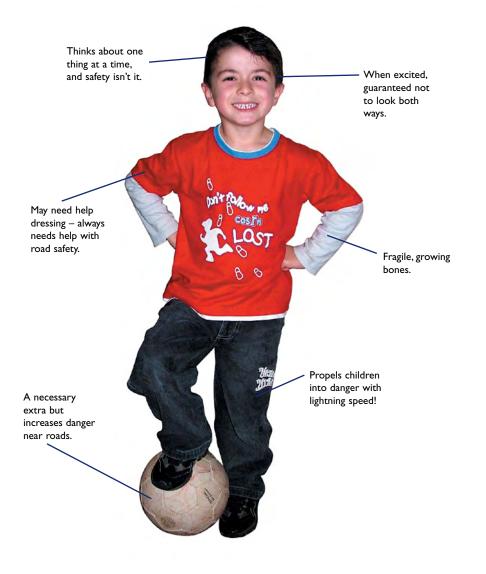
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What is it about kids?

As parents and caregivers we need to remember...

- Children can be easily distracted.
- Children will focus on one thing and ignore others.
- Their hearing is not as developed as adults, which means they are unable to always determine which direction sounds are coming from.
- Children are often full of energy and 'on the move', their speed can put them in danger in seconds.
- Children want to be independent and don't always want to hold an adult's hand.
- Road safety warnings have little meaning to young children as they do not understand the consequences of danger, injury, stop, death, traffic and safety – Hold your child's hand whenever vehicles may be moving.

Adapted from the "Road Safety – It's not child's play" publication by the Australian Transport Safety Bureau (ATSB)



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Road safety information



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In the Car...

Children must never be left alone in a car, even for short periods – it is illegal and there are a number of safety risks for the child.

Whenever children are in a car, they should be safely buckled up in child restraints that are well fitted and correct for each child's size.

It is recommended that all restraints are properly fitted by an RTA Authorised Restraint Fitter. Contact the RTA inquiry line on **I3 22 I3** for more information and your nearest Authorised Restraint Fitter.

Remember: 'When everyone is buckled up, we can go'

On the Bike...

A young child's skull is soft and easily injured, so whenever children are riding wheeled toys or bicycles, it is important that they are wearing a correctly fitted and Australian Standards approved helmet. This is an adult's responsibility.

Remember: 'No helmet, no bike!'

When you are walking...

Hold children's hands in and around traffic until they are at least 10 years old.

Kids are always watching, they want to be like adults, so make sure you set a good example. When you are walking, talk with children about why you need to stop at the kerb or driveway, and what to look and listen for.

Remember: 'Whenever we are out walking we hold hands, there is no running ahead'

In the Driveway...

A driveway is actually like a small road. Always supervise your children whenever a vehicle is to be moved. Remember: **'Hold their hands or hold them close to keep them safe'**

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What can you see behind a car?

Most drivers are aware of their car's 'blind spots', however, when reversing, there is a large 'blind space' behind the vehicle.

The driveway safety display highlights the difficulties that drivers have in seeing small children behind reversing vehicles.

Many of the drivers who have participated in the display say that they cannot see the first three toddler sized figures (*pictured at right*).



FACTS

- One child, often a toddler, is run over in the driveway of their home every week in Australia.
- Even when drivers use mirrors while reversing, visibility behind the car is limited.

HANDY HINTS

If you would like to use the Driveway Safety Display at your Children's Service contact the Early Childhood Road Safety Education Program (*Kids and Traffic*) on 02 9850 4700, or ring the Road Safety Officer at your local Council (see phone numbers below).

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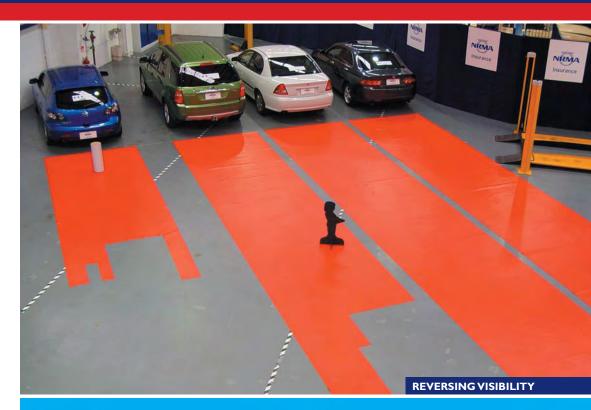
www.nrma.com.au/reversing www.mynrma.com.au/driveways

How does your car rate?

An NRMA Insurance study measured the reversing visibility for many popular vehicles. The study shows large differences in results with even some of the best vehicles having a substantial blind space that could easily hide a child from a driver's view.

For more information on driveway safety or to find out how your car rates in terms of visibility when reversing go to: www.mynrma.com.au/driveways

While there you can find links to the NRMA Insurance research as well as important information from the Motor Accidents Authority (MAA) on driveway accident prevention, including tips for improving safety when reversing.



FACTS

- Contrary to popular belief, some of Australia's top selling cars have the worst reversing visibility ratings.
- Even a slow moving vehicle in a driveway can kill a child or cause severe and permanent injuries.

HANDY HINTS

The recommended devices for improving driver vision of small children to the rear of a vehicle, are a combination of proximity sensors and a video camera.

Technology can help, however, even if these devices are fitted, the best prevention is close supervision of your children.

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We don't think of small children as being in danger in such a familiar and caring environment - but they are! <image>

FACTS

Children aged under 3 years are the most likely to be killed or injured in home driveways, often by a reversing vehicle being driven by a parent, relative or friend.

HANDY HINTS

A driveway is actually a small road - discourage children from using it as a play area.

Supervise children wherever a vehicle may be moving including driveways, yards, car parks and roads.

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How quickly it can happen!

In the time it takes for the driver to say goodbye and start the car, a child can move from a 'safe' position, onto the driveway and into the path of the vehicle.





Children's services can contact the Early Childhood Road Safety Education Program (Kids and Traffic) on (02) 9850 4700 to order this free driveway safety poster.

FACTS

- Child fatalities or injuries in the driveway often involve a reversing vehicle being driven by a parent, relative or friend.
- Small children can move very quickly into danger near a car and it can be impossible to see them from inside a car.

HANDY HINTS

- Young children often do the unexpected – they require constant supervision to keep them safe.
- If you are the only adult at home and need to move a vehicle, even only a small distance, place children securely in the vehicle with you while you move it.

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How safe is your driveway?

Young children are at risk wherever there are cars or other vehicles... including off road areas such as car parks, footpaths, private roads, caravan parks, farms, unfenced front yards and some play areas.

Driveways are never safe places for children to play. Remember children are at risk from cars moving forward as well as those reversing.

Always supervise your children whenever a vehicle is to be moved – hold their hands or hold them close to keep them safe.



FACTS

- More than one third of pedestrians aged under six years killed in motor vehicle crashes were killed 'off road' in yards, car parks and driveways.
- In many driveway incidents, the driver is familiar with the child or the family.

HANDY HINTS

Encourage children to play in safe areas away from the driveway and cars.

Make child access to your driveway area difficult, for example, use fencing or gates to separate it from your home and/or play spaces.

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Emergency Numbers – Police, Fire, Ambulance – **000**

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Dove sono i vostri bambini?

Tragicamente, ogni settimana in Australia, un bambino, spesso in tenera età, viene investito nel passo carraio della propria abitazione. Pertanto, vigilate sempre sui vostri bambini ogni volta che si deve spostare un veicolo – teneteli per mano o teneteli vicini a voi per garantire la loro sicurezza.

Per maggiori informazioni sulla sicurezza dei bambini nel vostro passo carraio, rivolgetevi al vostro Comune di residenza.

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Cocuklarnız nerede? (Where are your kids?)

Her hafta Avustralya'da, ne yazık ki bir çocuk (genelikle küçük bir çacuk) evin garajını sokağa bağlayan yol üzerhde ezilmekledir. Her zaman için, bir araba haroket etmeden önce çocuklarınızın başında bulununuz. Çocukları ya elerinden tutunuz ya da ermiyette olmaları için kendiniza yakın tutunuz.

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缴的孩子在哪样?

این او لاکته

متربة مناه للمعافظة على سائدتهم.

很不幸的是在澳洲,每個星期都有一個兒童 - 往往是攀步的兒童 - 在自己住宅 的車道上被汽車撞倒,為了孩子的安全起見,每當有汽車開動時,必須監管您的 孩子 - 拼著他們的手或者哪沒著他們。

截知要多有關在您的事道上如何確保兒童安全的資料, 請導當地的市政會導絡。

아이들이 어디에 있나요?

비침하게도 호주에서는 매주 1 명꼴의 어린이가 (아장아장 같는 유아인 경우가 원을) 자기질의 차동헛걸에서 자예 입니다. 차를 좀찍일 때는 언제나 있지말고 아이들부터 먼저 감독하십시오. 손을 잡고 있거나 옆에 기까이 있게 하여 아이들을 안전하게 하십시오.

집 사동창길에서의 어린이 안전에 관한 추가정보가 필요하시면 해당 지역의 기운술이 연락하시기 바랍니다.

Που είναι τα πειδιά σες;

Δυστυχώς κάθε βδομάδα στην Αυστραλία ένα παιδί, συχνά μικρό παιλάκι που μάλις έχα αρχίσα να περιτατά, το πατά άχημα στο διόδρομο αυτοκινήτου του απιτού τους. Να επιβιέπετε πάντα τα παιδά άας όποτε είναι να κινηθά έχημα - να κρατάτε το χέρια τους ή να τα κρατάτε καντά σας για να είναι ασφαλή.

Για περισσότερις πληροφορίες για την παδική ασφάλεια στο διάδρομο ουτοκινήτου του σπιτιού σας, παρακαλείσθε να επικεινωνήσετε με το Δήμα ους.

Con tôi đàu?

Thật hỗt sức thường tâm, ở Úc mỗi luần lại cơ một em nhỏ, hướng là một am dưới năm tuổi, bịxe cán ngay trên lối lái xe ra vào tại nhà cm. Mỗi kh có xe ra hệy vào, quí vị nên luôn cắn thận cai sác các am - nắm tay am hoặo kéo am sát vào người minh cho an toán.

Muốn hiế thêm chi tiết về văn đề an trăn cho trẻ en trên bì lài xe vào nhà, xin qui vị iên lạc với hội đồng hành chénh địa phương nơi mình cư ngụ.



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