

## KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE ON OUR ROADS

# Your role matters – every day

Children rely on adults to keep them safe as passengers, pedestrians, cyclists and scooter riders.

### SUPERVISE AT ALL TIMES



- Always be able to see or hear every child
- Meet educator-to-child ratios
- Never leave children unattended – including in vehicles

### TEACH ROAD SAFETY EVERY DAY



- Talk about walking safely and crossing roads
- Model safe behaviour
- Use play, routines and conversations
- Listen to children's ideas

### WORK WITH FAMILIES



- Talk respectfully about safety concerns
- Share road safety information
- Follow service procedures if unsafe practices are seen
- Report concerns to your service/provider

### TRANSPORTING CHILDREN



- Only transport children when:
- Written authorisation is in place
  - Required risk assessments are completed
  - You are an authorised driver driving a car

Before every trip:

- Plan the safest route
- Check correct child restraints
- Meet first aid requirements

### NEVER



- Leave a child alone in a vehicle
- Transport without authorisation (except emergencies)
- Refuel vehicles while caring for children
- Use booster cushions or additional/dickie seats
- Transport a child who is not correctly restrained

### COUNT & CHECK – EVERY TIME



- Count children on entry
- Count children on exit
- Physically check the entire vehicle
- Record the trip as required

### CHILD RESTRAINTS



- Use the right restraint for the child
- Follow manufacturer instructions
- Restraints must:
  - meet Australian Standards
  - be less than 5 years old
  - not be second-hand or crash-affected

### HELMETS & WHEELED TOYS



- Helmets worn for bikes and wheeled toys used outside
- Helmets must fit properly and meet Australian Standards
- Adults model correct helmet use

### IF SOMETHING GOES WRONG



- Follow Incident, Injury, Trauma and Illness procedures
- Report immediately to your service/provider
- Record clearly and promptly

### REMEMBER



You have a **duty of care**.  
If something feels unsafe –  
**stop, act and seek support.**

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