

School Parking



In an effort to provide a safer environment for everyone, Officers from the City of Canning patrol school parking in the mornings and afternoons throughout the school term.

It is imperative that drivers are aware of the road rules and understand signage around schools to ensure the safety of children, road users and pedestrians in general. Unlawful parking in school areas is a major safety hazard and parking infringement notices may be issued for incorrect, unlawful or dangerous parking.

At the beginning of each school year, City Officers conduct educational patrols in school areas. During this period Officers remind drivers of the need to park legally and safely and ensure compliance with the City's Parking Local Law 2010.

As part of this initiative, City Officers work closely with the school community to promote safety around schools. Information leaflets are also distributed to schools for inclusion in school newsletters to advise parents of the parking requirements under the Local Law.

Common Parking Problems

- Stopping/Parking in a **No Stopping** area
- Parking in a **No Parking** area
- Stopping/parking on a footpath
- Double parking
- Stopping/Parking on a verge without the adjoining occupiers consent
- Parking so that the vehicle causes an obstruction
- Parking against the flow of traffic
- Stopping/parking in a bus stop

Tips for Parents

- Observe Parking restrictions (read the signs)
- Stick to the speed limits at all times
- Be aware – *young children can be unpredictable and hard to see!*
- Be courteous and responsible
- Use 'Pick Up and Set Down' areas correctly (if provided)
- Always be aware of children
- Walk or cycle to and from school
- Plan your trip so that you arrive earlier
- Stop on the school side so your child does not have to cross the road
- Use the crosswalk services at all times
- Utilise parent's parking bays (where provided)

What NOT to do

- Block driveways
- Stop or park on footpaths
- Obstruct children's pedestrian crossings
- Get frustrated – *try and stay calm*
- Ignore speed limits around schools
- Ignore parking signs

Please contact Ranger and Community Safety Services on 1300 4 CANNING (1300 422 664) if you need help or advice regarding parking.

School Zones

40km/hr school zones are in place around every school in the City of Canning. School zones operate from 7.30am to 9am in the morning and 2.30pm to 4pm in the afternoon.

Children warning signs and 40km hour school speed zone signs are the responsibility of Main Roads WA and requests for additional signs or sign damage reports should be directed to them on 138 138.



Pick Up and Set Down Areas

Pick Up and Set Down Areas are designed to allow large numbers of vehicles/parents to pick up or set down their children in a short length of time. Typically they are located adjacent to the main school entrance.

When using these areas, kiss your child, say goodbye, allow them out and drive away as soon as possible. When using the designated Pick Up and Set Down Areas around schools never leave your car unattended.

Contact your local school to find out if a 'Pick Up and Set Down' initiative is in place.



Common Signs

Parking prohibitions are imposed to regulate and modify parking patterns. Their main function is to ensure that potential vehicle/pedestrian conflicts are eliminated.



No Stopping

You must not stop on a length of road to which a No Stopping sign applies.



No Parking

You may stop in a No Parking zone for a maximum of 2 minutes to drop off or pick up passengers. You must stay within 3 metres of your car at all times.



Parking Signs

Parking signs with specified time limits allow drivers to park their vehicles only within certain time periods.



Bus Zone

You must not stop or park in a bus zone.



Safety around SCHOOLS

Common offences around Schools

PLEASE BE ADVISED THIS IS A CAUTION FOR THE OFFENCE BELOW:

| Nature of Offence | Penalty |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stopping contrary to a 'no stopping sign' | \$80 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parking contrary to a 'no parking sign' | \$80 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stopping/Parking on path, median strip or traffic island | \$80 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Obstructing access to and from footpath | \$80 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Double parking | \$80 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stopping on verge | \$60 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Causing obstruction | \$80 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parking against the flow of traffic | \$80 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stopping in a bus zone or near bus stop | \$60 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parking contrary to signs or limitations | \$60 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Denying access to private drive or right of way | \$80 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Driving or parking on a reserve | \$60 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stopping in disabled parking area | \$300 |

Please refer to the City of Canning Parking Local Law 2010 for the full list of prescribed offences.



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Working together for a safe community.