



STAYING SAFE AROUND BUSES

SCHOOL BUSES AND THE LAW

DRIVING NEAR SCHOOL BUSES REQUIRES EXTRA ATTENTION!

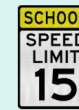
STOP when flashing lights are activated.



It's the law! Vehicles must stop when a school bus or van has its lights flashing and stop sign extended. Violations begin at anywhere from \$30-\$300 in fines.

DO NOT CROWD the bus. It's the law! Vehicles must stop when a school bus or van has its lights flashing and a stop sign extended. Violations begin at a \$30 and can go up to \$300 fine.

KEEP BACK 20 FEET



RESPECT school zone speed limits.

It's the law! The speed limit in a school zone range from 15 to 25

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY DISTINCTIONS

Only school buses, along with fire, police, and ambulances, can stop traffic.

School buses are the only vehicles that wait for a student to cross the street safely. When a school bus stops with its lights flashing, students are present and have not yet safely unloaded or crossed the street.

Bus Lights flashing

Drivers must stop no less than 20 feet from the bus and remain stopped until the bus resumes motion and the flashing red warning lights stop. This applies to vehicles traveling in the opposite direction on multi-lane roads. On divided highways, only traffic traveling the same direction as the bus must stop.

Avoid driving in bus lanes

Dedicated bus lanes, whether at a school or on a road, help make bus travel safer and more efficient for passengers, pedestrians, and other people on the road.

School bus blind spots

School bus blind spots are areas around the bus where the driver's view is obstructed. These blind spots pose a risk to pedestrians, cyclists, and other vehicle.



Never pass a bus on the right

Large vehicles often need to shift before making a wide right or left turn. It is important to stay behind a large truck or bus until they have completed their turn.

Stop behind a bus at rail crossings

All buses, with and without passengers, must come to a complete stop at all railroad crossings where the bus driver opens the passenger door to check for oncoming trains.



Exercise patience

School and municipal bus passengers range from the very young to the elderly. Be patient so that all can board or exit safely. Maintain a safe distance to prepare for frequent stops.