



Information Sheet

The most important school bus rules for children and teenagers

1. The single most important rule is:

Never run in front of or behind a bus that is stopping on the road! Always wait until the bus has left so that you can see whether the road is clear.

2. Leave home in time!

Children who rush to the bus stop do not pay enough attention to surrounding traffic.

3. No running, chasing or playing tag at the bus stop.

This is because a child can easily end up on the road.

4. Stay at least 1 metre away from the approaching bus!

This is important because the right-hand corner of the bus swerves to the side when pulling into the stop.

5. Do not push against the bus doors!

When pressure is applied, the doors automatically lock and will not open.

6. Do not rush when getting on the bus!

Otherwise, there is a risk of children tripping and falling.

7. During the bus journey.

Everyone must behave in such a way that there is no risk of harm to anyone else on the bus.

Parents are also responsible for their child's behaviour on the bus. Students who endanger or disturb other students through their misconduct may be banned from using the bus service for a limited or indefinite period! If this is the case, then parents must take their child to school!

8. Smoking.

Smoking is forbidden on the bus at all times and for all persons.

9. The driver's instructions must be followed!

The drivers ensure that safety and orderly behaviour are maintained on the school bus. Their instructions must be followed at all times.

The bus drivers are instructed to immediately report to the school administration office any students who behave inappropriately. The school administration office will then decide on further action.

10. Bus drivers.

The bus drivers should not be spoken to when they are driving.

11. Backpacks and schoolbags should be placed on the floor or on the seat.

Backpacks and schoolbags should not be worn whilst seated as it is not ergonomic or safe to do so. They also do not belong in the centre aisle – because of the risk of tripping – or on the seats, because others would like a seat too.

12. If you have to stand up during the bus journey, then hold on tight!

If you walk or stand around on the bus without holding on to something, you are at greater risk of injury if the bus has to suddenly brake.

13. Watch out for cyclists when getting off the bus!

Not all cyclists are considerate of passengers getting off.

14. Do not be afraid of the automatically closing doors!

You will not get stuck in them. If there is anything in the way, the doors open by themselves.

15. Report any damage or mess to the driver.

Damage and mess can become expensive. Any damage or mess should be quickly repaired, replaced or removed.

16. Emergency hammers are not souvenirs.

Theft is not a trivial matter. A missing emergency hammer can have serious consequences in the event of an accident.

17. Bus service changes.

Parents must notify the school and the school administration office about any change of address at least two weeks in advance, otherwise there is no guarantee that the bus route schedule can be adjusted in time. If this information is not provided by parents, they may have to organise transport for their child until the bus route schedule can be adjusted.

18. A final request to parents.

If you drive your children to school or home, please do not park in the bus stop bays. They obstruct the buses and the children getting on and off the bus.

And please do not wait with your car on the opposite side of the road – this tempts many children to run across the road immediately after leaving the bus.