

## How to Carpool

Carpooling has many benefits, including:

- sharing the cost of fuel and maintenance
- more time in the mornings for other appointments
- not competing for a parking spot every day
- reducing congestion around schools

Carpooling is as easy as asking someone if they are going your way.

### How to carpool in 3 easy steps

1. Talk to other parents in your child's class or at music and sport
2. See who wants to save time and money by carpooling
3. Start carpooling!

### Recommended carpool etiquette

- Agree on pick up points with your carpool partner
- Exchange phone numbers and tell each other about changes of routine
- Travel at recommended speeds – drive safely
- Use seat belts
- Work out a driving roster
- Synchronise watches
- If an emergency arises remember to inform your carpool partners
- Keep your vehicle clean and reliable
- Smile, it costs nothing!

## Frequently Asked Questions

### What do I need to carpool?

You do not need anything to carpool, you just have to be willing to do it.

### Who can I carpool with?

People you already know - talk to other parents in your child's class, at music and at sport. Find out who wants to save time and money and start carpooling.

Your school may already run regular forums and social activities for parents. Discuss carpooling with others at these forums, or ask the school to include an item in the school newsletter.

### What if a problem arises which stops me going with my carpool?

If you are aware of a problem in advance, try to inform all members of your carpool. If you are the driver, all members of your carpool will need to be informed. Keep contact numbers for your carpool in your phone so it is always at hand.

### Does 3rd party insurance cover my child and me as carpoolers in an accident?

Yes, standard 3rd third party insurance covers carpoolers. It is recommended that potential carpool partners ensure vehicle registration, insurance, and drivers licences are valid before sharing the journey.

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