



SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISORS

INFORMATION SHEET

A School Crossing Supervisor program is being implemented in the ACT to help children to cross roads safely and to assist with pedestrian and traffic flow.

Crossing supervisors assist children to cross roads safely by directing traffic with a stop sign and providing instructions to pedestrians. They also monitor the area adjacent to the crossing to ensure children remain safe.

Crossing supervisors will work for an hour in the morning and an hour in the afternoon around the school start and finish times. Check with your school to confirm when the supervisor will start and finish each shift.

Pedestrians using a crossing that is patrolled by a supervisor need to be aware of some minor differences to the way in which they use the crossing.

When approaching a supervised crossing, pedestrians are required to follow the instructions of the crossing supervisor.

Supervisors will:

- Ask pedestrians to wait in a safe location beside the road
- Monitor traffic to see when it is appropriate to stop traffic
- Request the traffic to slow/stop (by raising the stop sign to a 45 degree angle as they enter the road)
- Completely stop traffic (by standing on the crossing with the stop sign in a vertical position)
- Instruct pedestrians to cross by blowing their whistle twice
- Check that all pedestrians have crossed safely
- Exit the road to allow traffic to pass over the crossing



Important: If a supervisor blows their whistle once and holds their hand up indicating stop, it is important pedestrians stop in a safe location and wait for further instructions.

Crossing supervisors will report any incidents that occur at their nominated crossing to the school.

Three things to remember when using a supervised crossing:

1. **STOP** – in a safe location next to the crossing
2. **LOOK** – for the crossing supervisor
3. **LISTEN** – to the supervisor's instructions

Crossing supervisors form an important part of the school community, introduce yourself and help to make their job easier by following their instructions at all times.