

Safe Travel to School



Consists of a platform raised to the same level as the adjacent pedestrian footpaths. Requires speed hump warning sign, 20km/h advisory speed sign and red and white striped posts for children crossing flags. May include other warning signs, if warranted, such as children crossing. Also includes stop lines for vehicles in advance of the crossing. Depending on location, this is usually accompanied by 40km/h school speed zones.

This treatment gives priority to pedestrians **only** when flags are displayed.



Advantages

- Considered a Safe System treatment as it reduces crash severity
- Effective at reducing vehicle speeds at crossing point
- Outside school times this operates as a speed hump
- Positively perceived by parents
- May have better visibility than standard children's crossing
- Can be perceived as providing route continuity and coherence
- Deterrent to through traffic

Disadvantages

- Does not give priority outside school times
- May increase traffic noise
- May need modifications if on bus or freight routes
- Can be uncomfortable for cyclists to negotiate
- More expensive than standard children's crossing (e.g. construction and drainage)
- Requires recruitment process for supervisors (and funding)



Please note that the information in this document represents general advice only. Each site must be assessed in its specific context, and each treatment must be assessed on its merits.

Safety Benefit



Cost

