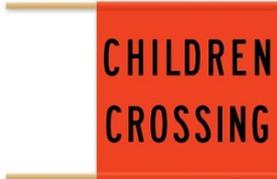


Crossing Frequently Asked Questions

This FAQ is a collection of frequently asked questions concerning crossings near schools to assist the Hawkesbury Community. While useful as reference, this FAQ does not replace the current information available from the NSW Roads and Maritime Service (RMS). Please consult the [Roads and Maritime Services \(RMS\) Supplement to Australian Standard](#) for full specifications prior to making decisions.

The url of the supplement used in this FAQ is http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/documents/business-industry/partners-and-suppliers/guidelines/s-as1742_p1-15.pdf

What are the types of crossings exist near schools?

<p>Children's Crossing</p>  	<p>Please read Section 7 on pages 19-20 of the RMS Supplement to Australian Standard.</p> <p>A Children's Crossing is considered safer than a Pedestrian (Zebra) crossing. Each lane has a stop line.</p> <p>Crossing is marked by bright orange flags or signs. The school principal has agreed to arrange for the display and removal of "Children Crossing" flags or signs on the installed poles during school days for the specified period of operation (normally 8.00am – 9.30am and 2.30pm – 4.00pm) and when necessary at other times such as school excursions and school sport days.</p> <p>Please note that a Children's Crossing may be located at an existing pedestrian (zebra) crossing.</p>
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Pedestrian (Zebra) crossing



[Please read Section 6 on pages 17-19 of the RMS Supplement to Australian Standard.](#)

A Pedestrian Crossing has marked foot crossings (Zebras). The crossing operates 24 hours a day and has night lighting.

RMS practice is to consider numerical warrants and specifications as criteria before approving locations for Pedestrian (Zebra) Crossings.

Who can request a crossing investigation?

Any concerned person by contacting [Council](#).

How is a proposed location considered for a crossing?

The process has several stages that can be briefly summarised as:

- An investigation is conducted by Council to determine several factors, including the pedestrian and vehicle counts and the posted speed of the road. Council engineers will first determine if there is enough data available for the proposed location. Council may wish to conduct further investigations at the proposed location to supplement the existing data.
- The data is compared to the RMS warrants that are listed for the different crossing types. Warrants are the minimum criteria found in [Sections 6 and 7 on Pages 17 to 20 of the RMS Supplement to Australian Standard](#).
- If the location meets the minimum criteria for a RMS warrant, Council will submit a crossing design with relevant lighting and infrastructure plans to Council's Local Traffic Committee (LTC) for recommendation. The core members of the LTC are representatives of the Council, RMS, and local police. The LTC is responsible for considering and recommending requests for alterations to traffic facilities and other traffic related matters.
- If the LTC and RMS approve the crossing location and design, Council will look for the most viable source of funding and conduct a community notification prior to constructing the crossing.

What is RMS normal warrant for crossings?

A RMS normal warrant outlines the minimum criteria that a proposed crossing location must meet before Council can design and recommend a relevant crossing at the proposed location. The full details on the RMS normal warrant can be found in [Section 6.3 \(i\) on pages 17-19 of the RMS Supplement to Australian Standard](#).

What is RMS reduced warrant for crossings?

The warrant criteria for a crossing may be reduced if one of the following situations exists:

Proposed sites used predominantly by children and by aged or impaired pedestrians.	Section 6.3 (ii) on pages 17-18 of the RMS Supplement to Australian Standard.
Special consideration can be given to a potential pedestrian crossing site. In such circumstances, Council should justify why this location is in need of special consideration.	Section 6.3 (iii) on page 18 of the RMS Supplement to Australian Standard.

How do I request a replacement of the Children Crossing flags?

Schools normally pay for the replacements. You may contact [Council](#) and ask for the contact details of a reputable supplier from Council's Community Safety Coordinator.

How do I request a replacement or repair of road signs around schools?

Contact [Council](#) for school signs and speed-zone signs along local roads. They are responsible for the all the maintenance of signs along local roads, except for "School Zone" signs.

Contact [RMS](#) for all signs along state roads. They are also responsible for installing new speed zone signs and maintaining all 'School Zone' signs.

Contact Details

Council phone 4560-4444 or use <http://www.hawkesbury.nsw.gov.au/council/contact-us>

RMS phone 13 22 13 or use <https://secure.rms.nsw.gov.au/contact-us/>

Both companies will record your query and forward it to their relevant staff to respond.



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