

Why have a code of conduct?

We know that most young people behave well on school transport, but occasionally the behaviour of a few can make the journey unpleasant for everyone, and can sometimes endanger others.

We have a code of conduct because we want everyone to stay safe and travel in comfort. To make sure this happens we need all young people and their parents/ carers to agree to abide by this code of conduct.

By accepting school transport assistance you are agreeing to abide by this code of conduct.

Remember - we have the power to ban pupils who don't behave properly

Our code of conduct should give you a clear idea of what is expected of you, and if you follow the guidelines it contains your journey to school will be safe and enjoyable. We all have a responsibility to make sure this is the case.

If you don't keep to the code of conduct your parents or carers will be told and you may not be able to use school transport any more.

If you lose your place on school transport how will you get to school?



For more information about school transport please contact **0345 155 1019** or visit www.devon.gov.uk/school_transport

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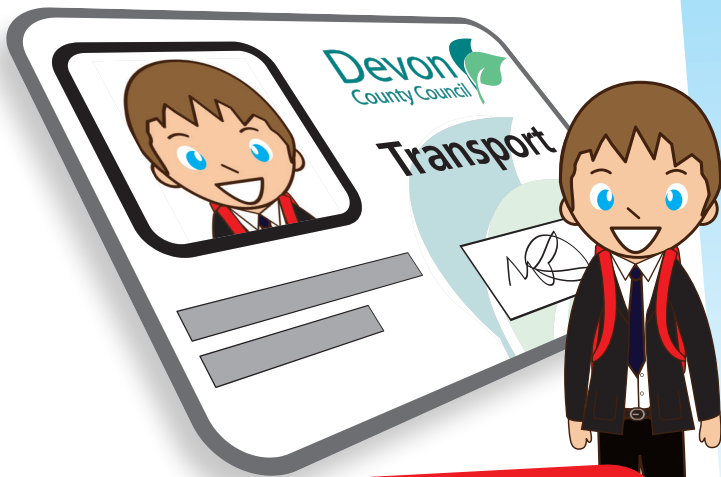
For **young people** who use school transport

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Here's what you need to do to travel safely

Your pass

Your pass is for you only and must always be carried if you want to use school transport. Be ready to show your pass to the driver; you will not be allowed to travel without it.



NO pass NO travel!

If you lose your pass phone

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How to be a good passenger

- Treat the bus driver and your fellow passengers with respect.
- Do as the driver asks.
- Stay in your seat and keep your seat belt on.
- Look after your possessions and the bus.
- Take any litter home with you.
- Keep noise to a reasonable level.
- If you see someone behaving badly or bullying others always report it to the driver or your school.
- Don't distract the driver except in an emergency.
- Don't carry real or replica weapons.
- Don't throw things.
- Don't eat, drink or smoke (smoking is against the law for everyone on buses, taxis and trains).
- Don't use bad language.
- Don't damage the vehicle - if you do your parents or carers will have to pay for the damage.



You and your parents or carers are responsible for making sure that you get to and from the pick up point safely, at least 5 minutes before the bus is due.

If you're late the bus won't wait

If the bus or train is late only wait at the pick up point for **20 minutes**.

Agree a **plan** with your parents or carers about what to do if transport doesn't arrive or you forget your pass.

If there is a **storm** or **snow** visit

new.devon.gov.uk/schools for school

and route closure information or listen to the local BBC radio station.

Remember if your parents or carers take you in to school in the morning they must also be prepared to collect you in the afternoon if the weather is still bad.