



3.40.092AD School Traffic Patrol

The use of school traffic patrol members is optional in each school. Where school traffic patrol supervision is utilized, the following guidelines shall be followed:

- (1) **Distance from School.** Ordinarily, the maximum distance for the establishment of school supervised crossing lanes shall be five blocks from the school. Any lanes established at greater distances shall be by mutual consent of the school principal and the safety education policy officer for the school area. A continuous study should be made of all existing safety lanes by the principal and a safety education police office in order to assure that crosswalk areas or safety lane areas required for the school are adequate but not excessive. Where review of special safety problems in a school area is required, the Portland Traffic Safety Commission may be consulted;
- (2) **Qualifications of School Traffic Patrol Members.** School traffic patrol members shall be selected with regard to factors of age, maturity, responsible judgment, etc., appropriate to their respective assignments;
- (3) **Training and Location of School Traffic Patrol Members.** The point at which a school traffic patrol member shall stand when escorting students across the intersection shall be determined and marked in cooperation with the Safety Education Officer of the Portland school police bureau. Students should shall be thoroughly trained for and supervised in their activities by school personnel;
- (4) **Parent Patrols.** Where possible and desirable, the principal may arrange with parent groups for parental assistance of student traffic patrols. Where such additional supervision is undertaken, parents should be provided with adequate instruction as to their duties and responsibilities;
- (5) **Adult Crossing Guards.** Schools in which the highest grade is grade four or below may request of the Portland Traffic Safety Commission, with prior approval of the school district traffic safety liaison, an Adult Crossing Guard. In general, an Adult Guard will be placed at hazardous intersections, which are not controlled by signals or four-way stop signs and where a minimum of 15 children cross morning and afternoon, daily.

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