

## Observation sheet for safety in traffic

How can parents find out what children can cope with in road traffic and what they still need to learn? An observation sheet can be a useful tool here. Observe your child for a while when you go for a walk with them and on everyday routes. See how your child is doing by ticking the observation sheet. If you tick “rarely”, you should practice this activity with your child.

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Does your child walk along the pavement, staying as far away as possible from the road?			
Does your child stop at the kerb?			
Does your child stop at the kerb, even if it is distracted?			
Does your child check sufficiently in both directions before crossing the street?			
Does your child wait until there are no more cars approaching before crossing the street?			
Does your child walk directly across the street without running?			
Does your child first look right and left for turning traffic by a “green” light before crossing at the traffic lights?			
Does your child continue to walk promptly to the other side, if already on the road and the traffic light turns “red”.			
Does your child maintain the sightline when crossing the road between parked cars?			
Is your child capable of signalling to car drivers (with hand signs, for example) when on a zebra crossing?			
Does your child wait until all vehicles have stopped before setting off on a zebra crossing?			