



Carpool Driver Safety Checklist

YES NO

BEFORE THE RIDE: Outside the car

- I have a valid driver's license and carry auto insurance.
- I have not been convicted of a crime against a child.
- Before I open the car door, I walk completely around my car, looking for kids, toys and pets.
- I can see each child that I will drive as they approach my car.
- Children not riding in my car are fully supervised and physically held by an adult, so I do not back over them by mistake.
- I teach my child not to play around or near cars in driveways, parking lots or the street.

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DURING THE RIDE: Inside the car

- Each child will ride in a car seat, booster seat or safety belt, based on individual age, weight and height.
- Each child has his own safety belt system to hold him, the booster seat or car seat.
- Each child under 13 is riding in a back seat.
- Airbags have been disabled for infants and children who must ride in the front seat (front seat location is NOT recommended.)
- I drive only as many occupants as there are safety belts.
- I have been taught to use the booster seats or car seats correctly for the children I transport.
- I do not start the car until every person is properly buckled.
- I do not drive children if I have had any alcohol or other drugs that impair.
- There are no weapons in my car.

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AFTER THE RIDE: Around the car

- I keep the car and trunk locked, so kids cannot play in or around my car when I am not there.
- I have shown my child the "glow in the dark" emergency trunk handle inside the trunk and explained how it works in an emergency.
- I make sure that all children exit my car on the curb side.
- Once children exit my car, I wait until they are safely supervised before driving off.
- I never leave children alone in the car, even for a few minutes.

