

Victoria Police



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POLICE, CRIME PREVENTION & SAFETY FOR STUDENTS

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HOW TO CONTACT EMERGENCY SERVICES

The national telephone number for emergency services in Australia is:



000

POLICE, FIRE, AMBULANCE

(From mobile phone **also** try 112 when out of range or credit)





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ROLE OF THE VICTORIA POLICE

Assist the community

Prevent and detect offences

Apprehend & prosecute offenders





HOW TO CONTACT THE POLICE

- If you require urgent Police assistance, when you call 000 ask the operator for POLICE. If necessary also ask for an interpreter.
- 000 is for emergencies only
- In an emergency make sure to give the 000 operator the following:
Describe Emergency, Location Required, Name, Contact Number
- If you require non urgent advice or information or need to report a non urgent matter (Eg. Lost property) you should attend or call the local Police Station



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GENERAL POLICE INFORMATION

- Free community service – **NO \$\$**
- **As a victim of crime your student visa is not affected**
- Police assistance in Metropolitan area available 24 hours
- Can attend Police Stations to report incidents or seek advice
- Provide will interpreters if required
- Police in Victoria wear uniforms and plain clothes – with Police ID (badge)
- There are several different units within the Victoria Police



Crime Prevention Hints

- Melbourne is a safe city but precautions should be taken to reduce your chance of being a victim of crime.
- Tips for minimising risk include:
- 80% of all crime is opportunistic so do not leave valuables unattended at any time. Theft is a problem.
- **Don't leave wallets, purses, mobile phones unattended in public places (Eg. On tables during lunch, benches, or lecture theatres)**
- <https://www.facebook.com/medley.video/videos/1684178651654078/>



Crime Prevention Hints Pt 2

- Photocopy passports and important documents and get them certified true copy at a police station. Don't carry them everyday.
- Ladies - Always keep a firm grip on your handbag, and when in public preferably use a bag with a shoulder strap.
- Men - Keep wallets in front pockets.
- Portable Computers - Do not use in public places (Eg. Public transport), and when carrying in public always keep packed away in a bag. When out, ensure your room or house is locked.
- Avoid "offers" from others to pay fees to change or upgrade courses.

If something sounds too good to be true, then it probably is.



Crime Prevention Hints Pt 3

- **ATM - When withdrawing money do not count in public. Always be aware of who is around.**
- **Increase of Offences on Weekend nights – Increase in alcohol (City)**
- **Walking - When walking around at night, if possible walk in a group and in well lit areas.**
- **Be careful what you tell strangers, or being overhead in public (Eg. Talking about financial matters)**
- **Public Transport – Buy a ticket. Be aware of who is around, always hold onto your bag and do not fall asleep. Be aware of safety cameras and emergency buttons. Change carriages if safer.**
- **Parking - Do not leave items of value visible in the car. Car alarms and steering wheel locks are a good deterrent.**



WEAPONS

- Prohibited to carry weapons in a public place without a lawful excuse. Self defence is not considered a lawful excuse.
- Prohibited to possess specific weapons anywhere.
- Require a Shooters Licence via Police to purchase and possess a firearm.





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MOTOR VEHICLE LICENCE REQUIREMENTS

- If you have an appropriate licence or permit to drive a motor vehicle issued in another country and you are on a temporary visa (eg. Student or Tourist) you are able to drive in Victoria for the duration of your visa.
- For the overseas licence or permit to drive to be valid it must either be written in the English language or accompanied by an accurate English translation (Refer to VITS Ph: 9280 1941 for translation information).
- However, if you have held a **Permanent Visa** for more than 6 months, you must have a Victorian Drivers

Ph: 131171

vic roads

www.vicroads.vic.gov.au



Traffic Accidents!

- **Stop and help!**
- **Exchange Name and Address and other details**
- **Report to police 000 if persons injured**
- **Report to Insurance Company.**





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Riding Bike

- Wear a helmet
- Light up at night
- Wear a vest

<https://www.bicyclenetwork.com.au/>





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Remember.... **Urgent Police Assistance**



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Victim Assistance

Victims of Crime Helpline

1800 819 817

8.00am to 11.00pm Monday to Friday

Information, support and referral