

ANNUAL STATEMENT FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2023- 2024 IN RELATION TO IMPLEMENTATION OF SEAT BELTS ON SCHOOL TRANSPORT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2017

The Act imposes a self-reporting duty on school authorities, who must prepare an annual statement relating both to their compliance with the duty relating to seat belts imposed by section 1 of this Act and also to the actions which they have been taking to promote and assess the wearing of seat belts by pupils travelling on their dedicated school transport services (for instance, the particular policies and procedures which authorities have in place to educate pupils about the wearing of belts and to measure their use).

CLACKMANNANSHIRE COUNCIL

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	Actions	Outcomes
Compliance with the fitting of seatbelts	Clackmannanshire Council's contracts for the provision of dedicated school transport services (be they operated by public service vehicles (PSVs), taxis or private hire cars) have, since August 2018, specified a requirement for one seat belt per pupil on a one seat per pupil basis.	From August 2021 all contracted in dedicated home to school transport are fully compliant with the legislation.
	Contract compliance monitoring incudes spot checks of seat belt provision.	Any identified breach of contract subject to the Council's Contract Performance Monitoring System for the operation of passenger transport contracts.
	Any pupils found not to be wearing a seat belt are encouraged to do so.	Engage school staff to assist with non-compliant pupils.

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Promotion of the wearing of seatbelts	Stirling Council's contracts for the provision of dedicated school transport services (be they operated by public service vehicles (PSVs), taxis or private hire cars states: the driver will take reasonable steps to ensure all passengers wear seatbelts, where fitted and ensure all passengers remain seated while the vehicle is in motion. Letters informing of School Transport arrangements includes the wearing of seatbelts	
	Pupil Acceptable Standards Statements [PASS] are issued to all passengers.	https://www.clacks.gov.uk/learning/passschooltport/
Assessing seat belt use	Random spots checks carried out at Schools and pickup points to assess seat belt usage. Feedback from service delivery suppliers.	Inspections results are recorded in the PT Monitoring- School Transport/Establishment Checks ArcGIS survey.