

Frequently Asked Questions – TAC Club Participation Program

Is my club eligible for the TAC Club Participation Program?

Your club is eligible if it is affiliated with Cricket Victoria, Football Victoria, or Basketball Victoria (through the Victorian Junior Basketball League). Please contact your local league representative to confirm eligibility.

Where can I find materials to share?

The TAC, in partnership with Cricket Victoria, Basketball Victoria and Football Victoria has developed a TAC Club Participation Program promotional pack. You can access the online version on the TAC Club Participation Hub at [Sports program - TAC - Transport Accident Commission](#)

You can also share content from the TAC, Cricket Victoria, Basketball Victoria or Football Victoria social media channels

Can I print my own posters?

Yes! If you'd like more posters up around the club, you can download and print them at the [TAC Club Participation Hub](#).

Where can I get TAC Club Participation packs?

Packs will be distributed to local region and league offices in:

- **December** for Cricket Victoria and Basketball Victoria
- **January** for Football Victoria

Clubs can collect their packs from these offices or local league representatives. Stay tuned for updates from your local league representative.

When is Road Safety Round?

Road Safety Round is scheduled across the following periods:

- Cricket Victoria: 8 December - 21 December 2025
- Basketball Victoria: 19 January - 1 February 2026
- Football Victoria: 13 April - 26 April 2026

When can I collect my Road Safety Round armbands?

Armbands will be distributed to local associations and leagues in

- **December** for Cricket Victoria and Basketball Victoria
- **January** for Football Victoria

Stay tuned for updates from your local league representative.

We have a bye or away game for Road Safety Round, can I pick another round?

Yes! Your club can promote Road Safety Round on another weekend – ideally the weekend immediately following, or within the two week period. Be sure to create awareness with your members and take photos to share afterwards. You can also encourage your opponents to get involved.

How will I find out if my club has been successful in receiving Club Participation funding?

The TAC in conjunction with the governing body/league will email successful club recipients after the review period has taken place with the panel. Please see below for the anticipated timing across the codes.

- Cricket Victoria: by May 2026
- Basketball Victoria: by June 2026
- Football Victoria: by July 2026

Can I use the TAC logo?

TAC Club Participation Program applicants are granted access to use the TAC logo upon request from the TAC. By using the TAC logo, grassroots football netball clubs can help the TAC continue promoting road safety in their club community.

When a club chooses to use the TAC logo, this does not signify a partnership with the TAC. The club must not represent the TAC as a contractual club partner/sponsor and are to use the logo only for the purposes of the TAC Club Participation Program.

The TAC must be informed of any use of the TAC logo, to ensure the brand and messages are being used appropriately and consistently. To access the correct TAC logo, and seek approval for its use, please contact askus@tac.vic.gov.au. The recipient has no right, title or interest in the TAC logo and must not do anything to challenge the TAC's proprietary rights in the TAC logo. Furthermore, the recipient must immediately cease using the TAC logo as requested by the TAC.

MESSAGING GUIDE

Key messages to promote around your club this season

SPEEDING

Road Safety Insights

- Speed remains one of the biggest factors in crashes on Victorian roads, contributing to at least 30% of fatal crashes on our roads.
- While all speeding is dangerous, it has been estimated that the majority of speeding related trauma is due to drivers who drive at less than 10 km/h over the speed limit.
- Driving “a little bit over the speed limit” matters. Exceeding the speed limit by as little as 5 km/h increases crash risk by 44%.
- The penalty for speeding is a minimum fine of \$247, demerit points and potential loss of licence.
- Drive to the conditions and always drive within the speed limit.

Key Messages

- Make the right choice. Slow down on the road.
- Those few km's over the speed limit are a force to be reckoned with.
- On the road, the faster you go, the harder you hit, the worse the crash.
- You think a bump is hard? Think about the force of a crash.
- Speeding? Quickest way to let the team down.
- You choose to speed. You choose to lose.

DISTRACTIONS

Road Safety Insights

- Mobile phone use while driving significantly increases a driver's risk of crashing.
- In Victoria, the current penalty for illegally using a mobile phone whilst driving is a fine of \$611 and 4 demerit points.
- Automatic mobile phone and seatbelt detection cameras are now operating in Victoria.
- Make sure you are up to date on the mobile phone use laws that apply to your licence type by checking out the rules [here](#).

Key Messages

- Turn your phone to silent, do not disturb or turn it off completely before driving.
- [Watch this video](#) to learn how to activate 'do not disturb' while driving on your phone.
- Keep your phone out of reach when driving, such as in the glovebox or car boot.
- Set your maps or playlist prior to starting your car
- Ensure the device is in an approved holder. Different laws apply for P platers, be sure to check out the [laws that apply to you](#).
- As a passenger, speak up and tell a driver to get off their phone and focus on the road.

DRINK DRIVING

Road Safety Insights

- Alcohol absorption is influenced by many factors which you can't always control – you can never be sure whether you're at, under or over 0.05.
- Around 1 in 5 drivers killed on our roads have a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of 0.05 or higher.
- Driving while under the influence of alcohol affects perception, vision, concentration, reaction time and causes drowsiness – all of which increase the risk of a crash.
- Key Messages
- Separate drinking and driving altogether.
- Stop kidding yourself – if you drink, don't drive.
- If you drink, don't drive. Plan another way home (e.g., public transport, rideshare or taxi).
- Plan ahead. Have a designated driver or alternative transport option organised to get home safely.
- Having a drink? Bench the keys.

DRIVING TIRED

Road Safety Insights

- Driving while tired can be brought on by a lack of quality sleep, not enough rest, physical exertion and driving when you would normally be sleeping (overnight/early morning).
- If you drive on less than 5 hours sleep, you are 4 times more likely to crash when compared to 8 hours of sleep.
- See campaign materials [here](#).

Key Messages

- Long drives to games/training in regional Victoria can be tiring – make sure you're well rested before driving.
- Avoid driving when you would normally be sleeping.
- Pull over for a rest and a coffee to stay on the ball.
- Plan rest stops along your journey - plan regular breaks every 2 hours and swap drivers regularly if possible.
- Stop for a 15-minute powernap if feeling drowsy.

VEHICLE SAFETY

Road Safety Insights

- If everyone upgraded their car to the safest within its class, the number of lives lost would reduce by a third.

Key Messages

- Looking for a first car on a budget? You can find an affordable and safe new or used car by visiting [howsafeisyourcar.com.au](https://www.howsafeisyourcar.com.au)
- Parents and guardians, your role as a supervisor doesn't stop when they get their P Plates. Help them choose a safe car – visit [howsafeisyourcar.com.au](https://www.howsafeisyourcar.com.au) and look for 5 stars.
- Drink lemons. Don't drive them. Check out the safety rating of your car at [howsafeisyourcar.com.au](https://www.howsafeisyourcar.com.au)

LEARNER DRIVERS

Road Safety Insights

- P plate drivers have a higher incidence of crashes than other drivers; getting experience can help to reduce the risks.
- The TAC L2P Program is a community-based program developed to assist eligible young Victorian learner drivers between the ages of 16 and 21 years who do not have access to a supervising driver, or an appropriate vehicle to gain driving experience required for a probationary licence.

Key Messages

- If you're on your L plates, make sure to get at least 120 hours of driving practice in all conditions with your supervisor! This practice will help make you safer once you're driving on your own.
- The TAC L2P program invite volunteers to become a TAC L2P mentor. Help young people who don't have access to a supervising driver or vehicle gain the 120 hours of valuable driving experience they need. For more information, visit [TAC L2P Program : VicRoads](https://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/tac-l2p-program)

Thank you for being the difference in helping the TAC's mission to create safer roads in every Victorian community.