Keeping our posties safe

How you can help

Our posties face many risks while they're out delivering mail.Reversing cars, loose and aggressive dogs, blind driveways, and obstacles like overhanging trees, bins and rocks all have the potential to cause an incident. We provide protective equipment, comprehensive safety training and hazard monitoring and reporting to help keep our posties safe.

But we rely on the entire community to look after their safety too. And it's not just your postie who's at risk. Other footpath users, like children riding bikes and skateboards, are also at risk. Removing these hazards, such as those below, can help keep the entire community safe.









Last year almost posties were in an incident involving a dog. 1304 ·

Make sure you put your wheelie bin away promptly after collection.

Make sure hard rubbish is in a neat pile away from the road and footpath Contact your council if it's not cleared promptly. Report pot holes and cracked footpaths to your local council.

Reversing cars are a danger to all footpath users. When reversing, toot your horn to let people know you're there, go slowly and check your blind spots carefully.

Leaves and stones and dirt can make the path slippery.

High fences and trees can obstruct your postie's vision. Trim trees or install mirrors to help you see people on the footpath.

Ensure your dog is restrained or safe behind a fence. Incidents can occur when dogs lunge through a front door or over the fence. Make sure children remember to shut the gate properly.

Letterboxes can be dangerous too. For safe delivery they need to be located at the front edge of a property and away from obstacles. Your postie needs clear and easy access. If it's unsafe they can't deliver.