

# The "door syndrome" is still present!

If you frequently circulate in a school zone, know that the "door syndrome" is spreading very fast.

# What is the "door syndrome"?

It is a behaviour disorder that can affect drivers who take children to school. The affected person has the impression that the safest place to deposit their offspring is located closest to the door, no matter the signs in place and the danger to the safety of all children.

# **Symptoms**

- > Stopping in prohibited area
- > Obstructing traffic
- > Obstructing school bus stops
- > Double parking
- Non-compliance with the flashing stop lights of school buses

# The cure

- Clearly identify and respect the signs around schools.
- Follow the rules of the Highway Safety Code.
- Drop off children at the areas designated by the school.
- Use the services of school crossing quards where possible.
- > Leave on time or earlier.

#### Fine

## \$200 + Fees + 4 demerit points (Art. 311 of HSC)

 Everyone must comply with signals of an adult crossing guard and practice extra caution when approaching juvenile crossing guards. Even cyclists.

#### Fine

### \$200 + Fees + 9 demerit points (Art. 460 of HSC)

If the flashing stop lights of school buses are on or the stop sign is activated, vehicles must stop 5 meters away, at the minimum.

#### Fine

## \$15 to \$1,890 + Fees + 1 to 30 demerit points (Art. 328 of HSC)

 Children are often distracted, spontaneous and carefree, causing dangerous situations on the roads. Speeding reduces the reaction time of drivers

### Fine

## \$30 to \$100 + Fees

(Art. 380, 382, 383 and 386 of HSC)

 Parking or stopping a vehicle in a prohibited place, even for one minute, increases the danger for children.

#### Fine

# \$1,000 + Fees + 4 demerit points

(Art. 327 of HSC)

 When an impatient driver commits various offences that endanger the life, the safety of people, or a property, the actions can be considered reckless under the law.

# For greater safety around schools, your police would like to remind you:

- to give priority to children and school buses;
- that children should exit the vehicle on the sidewalk;
- that courtesy and patience are important factors in preventing accidents;
- that public safety is also your responsibility.

Cyclists are also subject to the Highway Safety Code.



