



Keeping children safe around trucks

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trucks & child safety

"Even if we can avoid one child being killed on the roads by giving these TACS demonstrations then the whole thing is worth it."

Ned Woollard, qualified TACS demonstrator and trainer.

Did you know?

3090 children were killed or seriously injured on UK roads in 2007*



What is Trucks and Child Safety all about?

Delivering a better future for children on our roads, TACS is an award winning, national safety programme. Run by the DHL UK Foundation and DHL employees, demonstrators take a lorry into school and talk to the children about keeping safe around larger vehicles. Some 20,000 children (between the ages of 7 and 11) received training **free of charge** in the 12 months August 2007 – July 2008.



What do TACS demonstrators do?

TACS demonstrators help children learn about the dangers of trucks and road safety:

- What exactly the driver can or cannot see in the mirrors
- Children become aware of the truck dimensions.
- Just how loud is the engine?
- What and where are the vehicle's blind spots?
- How difficult is it for a driver whilst inside the cab to hear a child shouting?
- What distance is needed on the nearside when a vehicle is turning left at a junction?
- Children learn how to walk safely around the vehicle and where to stand on the pavement.
- What should you do if a football runs under a truck?

How can I get a TACS demonstration at my school?

Contact your local TACS demonstrator:

NAME _____

CONTACT DETAILS _____

Or call the DHL UK Foundation helpline on **01285 841 914**

Can I become a TACS demonstrator?

If you are a DHL employee and want to become a TACS demonstrator please read the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs), fill in the application form and obtain permission from your Line Manager. You will attend a one day TACS training course and undertake a Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) check.

Don't forget to read the FAQs and if you need any help please call the Foundation's helpline on **01285 841 914** or email **dhlukfoundation@thetrustpartnership.com**

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