

**Submission
No. 46**

DRIVER EDUCATION, TRAINING AND ROAD SAFETY

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Dear Sir / Madam,

Driver education and testing tends to be focused almost exclusively on interactions with other motorised vehicles.

Not nearly enough emphasis is placed on interacting with vulnerable road users, such as pedestrians and cyclists.

This was highlighted in a recent Sydney Morning Herald article, which lamented the apparent total ignorance of the road rule that gives pedestrians right of way over turning vehicles.

<http://www.smh.com.au/comment/the-one-road-rule-drivers-always-get-wrong-20170214-gucuij.html>

75 pedestrians and cyclists have been killed by motorists in the last 12 months. And yet it seems ignorance of the road rules that should be keeping this class of road-users safe is endemic.

I urge the committee to consider how the needs of vulnerable road users be addressed, specifically with respect to driver education on how to operate a motor vehicle around such road users in a safe manner.

Kind regards,

Dan