

Go Card – QLD transport

The region's transport network will go completely paperless in 2011

Why use go card?

Quicker - no need to queue for a ticket.

Great value - go card users save about [30% on each single paper ticker price](#) - from your first trip. And, if you use your card more than 10 times in a week (Monday to Sunday), you get a further 50% off.

Convenient - no need to buy separate tickets for different zones travelled - and you can use it on buses, trains and ferries. And, if you register your card, you can top up online or by phone.

Easier - simply touch on at the beginning of your journey and touch off at the end. Your fare is automatically deducted from your card balance.

Smarter - the cutting-edge technology calculates the value of your journey, including up to three [transfers](#).

Reusable - easy to [top up](#) and the money you put on your go card doesn't expire. You can choose how much money you put on your go card.

Safer - you can [register](#) your card to protect your balance against theft or loss.

How do I use it? 'Touch on, Touch off'



go card touch on

To ensure you pay the correct fare, you must always touch on to the card reader at the beginning of your journey and touch off at the end. The cost is deducted from your card balance for each journey you take.

If you don't do this, you will be charged a [fixed amount](#).

You can also transfer across bus, ferry and train services.

View [video clips](#).

Where can I buy a go card?

You can buy a go card where you see the go card sign:

- [online](#)
- at [go card retailers](#)
- at [selected QR stations](#)
- over the phone by calling 13 12 30 - 24 hours a day, seven days a week
- or [fill in an order form](#) and mail it to us.

Article from: <http://www.translink.com.au/go.php>

What is the Culture ?

We are always talking about "culture" but what is that?

One quite useful definition of culture is "an integrated pattern of human behaviour that includes thoughts, communalisations, actions, customs, beliefs, values, and institutions of a racial, ethnic, religious or social group".

There are a number of important considerations that need to be kept in mind in relation to "culture" and "cultural identity", including that:

- everyone has a cultural identity, however it is not always recognised or defined by the person themselves. Sometimes, culture is seen simply as "just the way we do things";
- culture and cultural identity are dynamic and constantly changing;
- while culture plays an important role in influencing beliefs, values and behaviour, there are a number of other factors that are also important - these factors are referred to in a later section of the paper;

- given these other factors, there are differences within any culture;
- people may be influenced by and identify with more than one culture or cultural group; and
- it is the choice of the individual as to which culture they identify with regardless of their cultural background.

Back to School Traffic Campaign

“To Be-Safe Be-Responsible”

There will be increased traffic enforcement in and around school zones when school commences in January this year. School Zones are speed limited to 40km/h for the safety of the community.



Last year Infringement notices were issued to 1277 motorists over a four day period. A further 41 people were detected not wearing seatbelts or not having children restrained properly. Here are a list of some of the current driving offences and penalties that apply as follows:

- ☑ Less than 13 km/h over the speed limit:
\$A133 + 1 demerit point.
- ☑ At least 13 km/h but not more than 20 km/h over the speed limit:
\$A200 + 3 demerit points.
- ☑ More than 20 km/h but not more than 30 km/h over the speed limit:
\$A333 + 4 demerit points.
- ☑ More than 30 km/h but not more than 40 km/h over the speed limit:
\$A466 + 6 demerit points.
- ☑ More than 40km/h over the speed limit:
\$A933 + 8 demerit points and 6 month suspension.
- ☑ Driver fail to wear seatbelt:
\$A300 + 3 demerit Points.

- ☑ Driver use hand-held mobile phone:
\$A300 + 3 demerit Points.

Webpage:
www.police.qld.gov.au/programs/roadsafety/

You may receive emergency alerts on your phone

Emergency Alerts are sent by emergency services to landline telephones based on the location of the handset, and to mobile phones, based on the billing address. In the case of an emergency, you may receive a voice message on your landline or a text message on your mobile phone. If you receive an Emergency Alert and want more information, follow the instructions in the message or find your local emergency service on this website.



<http://www.emergencyalert.gov.au/>

What services are available for those who don't speak English?

The alert you receive will be written and spoken in English so it is important that everyone recognises the Standard Emergency Warning Signal and the words Emergency, Emergency that will be used on the landline message and the word Emergency on the text message. Print advertising will be [translated in up to 30 languages](#) as well as frequently asked questions (FAQs). Radio and television has also been translated for the respective States and Territories as required. Family, friends and neighbours are encouraged to discuss this system with people who don't speak English so they are informed and aware in the event that they receive an alert.

How do I know if the message/call is legitimate and not a hoax?

The caller ID number or message header on your phone displays the number '0444 444 444'. The message tells you where to go to get further information. You can

also check with other sources, for example radio, websites, or neighbours to confirm the authenticity of the message.

What will the alert say?

While every message is different, the alert will provide official and authorised emergency information on the current situation, tell you what actions need to be taken and also give you a reference to get further information or advice. When you pick up your landline phone you will hear the [Standard Emergency Warning Signal](#) (68kb, mp3) followed by the words 'Emergency, emergency'. The landline message will be spoken in English so if you do not understand the message, you should ask a family member, friend or neighbour for assistance.

Contact us



Please do not hesitate contact us
We are happy to work with you.

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Interpreting service for Real Estate

Real estate interpreting pilot helps migrants

A new national pilot program will provide **free telephone interpreting** to participating real-estate agents to help house new migrants. The Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC), through its Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS National), is piloting an extension of free telephone interpreting services **to selected real estate agents around Australia**. A key factor is the limited English skills of many new arrivals. Access to free interpreting services will provide valuable support that will enable real estate agents to communicate more readily with these clients. More information: www.immi.gov.au/living-in-australia/help-with-english/help-with-translating or by calling 1300 655 820.