

# moving rightalong

OBLIGATIONS AND  
OPPORTUNITIES FOR  
OLDER DRIVERS



Information Sheet 11

# For more information



**Government of South Australia**

Department of Planning,  
Transport and Infrastructure

## Moving Right Along: Obligations and Opportunities for Older Drivers encourages safer, greener and more active travel for older South Australians.

It comprises a series of Information Sheets about fitness to drive and legal responsibilities, driver assessments, ideas for maintaining the ability to drive safely and planning for the time when you, a family member or friend will decide to drive less or stop driving altogether.

Government		
Agency	Services	Contact
<b>Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI)</b>  Mail: GPO Box 1533 ADELAIDE SA 5001	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notification of medical conditions</li> <li>Practical Driving Assessments</li> </ul>	Internet: <a href="http://www.dpti.sa.gov.au">www.dpti.sa.gov.au</a>
<b>Service SA Customer Service Centres</b>  Adelaide Christies Beach Elizabeth Marion Mitcham Modbury Port Adelaide Prospect Regency Park Tranmere  Berri Gawler Kadina Mt Gambier Murray Bridge Naracoorte Port Augusta Port Lincoln Port Pirie Whyalla	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>The Driver's Handbook</i> \$10</li> <li>Hand in licence if no longer needed</li> </ul>	Phone: 13 23 24  TTY – telephone typewriter for deaf and hearing impaired: 13 36 77  All Service SA Customer Service Centres have Hearing Assistance Devices and are accessible for disabled people.  Internet: <a href="http://www.sa.gov.au/directories/customer-service-centres">www.sa.gov.au/directories/customer-service-centres</a>
<b>South Australian Government</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>The Driver's Handbook</i></li> <li>Road safety information</li> </ul>	Internet: <a href="http://www.mylicence.sa.gov.au">www.mylicence.sa.gov.au</a>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Concessions information</li> <li>Taxi fare subsidy scheme</li> <li>Seniors Card and ageing</li> </ul>	Internet: <a href="http://www.sa.gov.au">www.sa.gov.au</a>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cycling and walking maps</li> </ul>	Internet: <a href="http://www.sa.gov.au/cycling">www.sa.gov.au/cycling</a>
<b>Australian Government</b>  <b>My Aged Care</b>	<b>Telstra White Pages</b> contains an Age Page listing of many Government services for older Australians	Phone: 1800 200 422  <a href="http://www.myagedcare.gov.au">www.myagedcare.gov.au</a>

Health		
Agency	Services	Contact
<b>Alzheimer's Australia SA</b>  27 Conyngham St GLENSIDE SA 5065  <b>See also</b> National Dementia Helpline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Online information and resources</li> <li>Support for carers</li> <li>Workshops and information sessions</li> </ul>	Phone: 08 8372 2100  Fax: 08 8338 3390  Email: <a href="mailto:sa.admin@alzheimers.org.au">sa.admin@alzheimers.org.au</a>  Internet: <a href="http://www.alzheimers.org.au">www.alzheimers.org.au</a>
<b>Arthritis SA</b>  118 Richmond Road MARLESTON SA 5033	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Telephone advisors</li> <li>Exercise classes/ tai chi</li> <li>Program <i>Moving towards wellness – coping with chronic conditions</i></li> <li>Courses for all ages</li> <li>Library facilities</li> </ul>	Phone: 08 8379 5711  1800 011 041 (free call)  Fax: 08 8379 5707  Internet: <a href="http://www.arthritis.org.au">www.arthritis.org.au</a>
<b>Australian Red Cross SA</b>  212 Pirie St ADELAIDE SA 5000  Mail: GPO Box 2265 ADELAIDE SA 5001	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Online resources</li> <li>Emergency heatwave program</li> <li>Wills Days</li> <li>Guest speakers</li> </ul>	Phone: 08 8100 4500  Fax: 08 8100 4501  Email: <a href="mailto:sainfo@redcross.org.au">sainfo@redcross.org.au</a>  Internet: <a href="http://www.redcross.org.au">www.redcross.org.au</a>
<b>Australian Council on the Ageing (COTA)</b>  16 Hutt St ADELAIDE SA 5000  Mail: GPO Box 1583 ADELAIDE SA 5001	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Events</li> <li>Online ordering of publications</li> <li>Information</li> </ul>	Phone: 08 8232 0422 1800 182 324 (free call)  Fax: 08 8232 0433  Email: <a href="mailto:cotasa@cotasa.org.au">cotasa@cotasa.org.au</a>  Internet: <a href="http://www.seniorsvoice.org.au">www.seniorsvoice.org.au</a>
<b>Austroroads</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assessing fitness to drive</li> </ul>	Internet: <a href="http://www.austroroads.com.au">www.austroroads.com.au</a>
<b>Carers Australia SA</b>  66 Greenhill Road WAYVILLE SA 5034  Mail: PO Box 410 UNLEY SA 5061	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Online publications</li> <li>Support for carers</li> <li>Events</li> </ul>	Phone: 08 8291 5600 1800 815 549 (free call)  Carer Advisory and Counselling Service: 1800 242 636 (free call)  Fax: 08 8271 6388  Internet: <a href="http://www.carers-sa.asn.au">www.carers-sa.asn.au</a>

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<b>Dementia</b> See <b>Alzheimer's Australia SA</b> and/or <b>National Dementia Helpline</b>		
<b>Diabetes SA</b> 159 Sir Donald Bradman Drive HILTON SA 5033	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Living with diabetes</li> <li>■ Healthy eating tips</li> <li>■ Recipes</li> <li>■ Education sessions</li> </ul>	Phone: 08 8234 1977 Fax: 08 8234 2013 Email: <a href="mailto:info@diabetessa.com.au">info@diabetessa.com.au</a> Internet: <a href="http://www.diabetessa.com.au">www.diabetessa.com.au</a>
<b>Epilepsy Centre of SA/NT Inc</b> 266 Port Road HINDMARSH SA 5007 Mail: PO Box 12 WOODVILLE SA 5011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Information and first aid</li> <li>■ Membership of The Epilepsy Centre</li> <li>■ Online film on first aid for epilepsy</li> </ul>	Office: 1300 850 081 Helpline: 1300 852 853 Fax: 08 8448 5609 Email: <a href="mailto:enquiries@epilepsycentre.org.au">enquiries@epilepsycentre.org.au</a> Internet: <a href="http://www.epilepsycentre.org.au">www.epilepsycentre.org.au</a>
<b>Heart Foundation</b> 155 Hutt St ADELAIDE SA 5000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Information about CPR, warning signs of heart attack</li> <li>■ Events</li> <li>■ Healthy living</li> </ul>	Phone: 08 8224 2888 Information: 1300 36 27 87 Email: <a href="mailto:sa@heartfoundation.org.au">sa@heartfoundation.org.au</a> Internet: <a href="http://www.heartfoundation.org.au">www.heartfoundation.org.au</a>
<b>Independent Living Centre of South Australia</b> <b>Disability SA</b> 11 Blacks Road GILLES PLAINS SA 5086	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Information on a wide range of assistive technologies</li> <li>■ Product descriptions</li> <li>■ Publications</li> </ul>	Phone: 08 8266 5260 1300 885 886 (SA/NT only) Fax: 08 8266 5263 Email: <a href="mailto:ilcsa@dfc.sa.gov.au">ilcsa@dfc.sa.gov.au</a> Internet: <a href="http://www.ilcaustralia.org">www.ilcaustralia.org</a>
<b>National Dementia Helpline</b>  <b>Dementia Behaviour Management Advisory Service</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Phone support</li> <li>■ Phone support</li> </ul>	National Dementia Helpline: 1800 100 500 Interpreter Service: Phone: 131 450  Phone: 1800 699 799 (free call 24 hours/ 7 days)

## Your legal responsibility

As a licensed driver in South Australia and regardless of your age, you are **legally required** to report any medical condition or medication that may affect your ability to drive a motor vehicle safely. Please contact a Service SA customer service centre [www.sa.gov.au/contact-us](http://www.sa.gov.au/contact-us) or call 13 10 84 for information regarding reporting a medical condition.

Also, health professionals are **legally required** to notify the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure as soon as they consider that you suffer from a physical or mental illness, disability or deficiency, or take medication that would be likely to endanger the public if you drive a motor vehicle.

The health professional does not need your permission as this notification is **compulsory by law**.

**The consequences for failing to notify a reportable medical condition and continuing to drive are severe.**

If involved in a crash:

- you may be charged with related driving offences and with failing to notify a reportable medical condition
- you may be sued for any damages to people or property caused by the driver in that crash
- your private car insurance coverage may be affected.

<b>Health</b> continued		
Agency	Services	Contact
<b>National Sleep Foundation (USA)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ eNewsletter registration</li> <li>■ Information</li> <li>■ Online community</li> </ul>	Email: <a href="mailto:nsf@sleepfoundation.org">nsf@sleepfoundation.org</a> Internet: <a href="http://www.sleepfoundation.org">www.sleepfoundation.org</a>
<b>Osteoporosis Australia</b> 118 Richmond Road MARLESTON SA 5033	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Information</li> <li>■ Magazine</li> <li>■ Translated fact sheets</li> <li>■ Events</li> </ul>	Phone: 08 8379 5711 1800 242 141 (free call) Fax: 08 8379 5707 Internet: <a href="http://www.osteoporosis.org.au">www.osteoporosis.org.au</a>
<b>Parkinson's SA</b> 23a King William Road UNLEY SA 5061  Mail: P.O. Box 466 UNLEY SA 5061	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Support groups</li> <li>■ information sheets</li> <li>■ education sessions</li> <li>■ advocacy</li> <li>■ counselling service</li> </ul>	Phone : 08 8357 8909 1800 644 189 Email: <a href="mailto:info@parkinsonssa.org.au">info@parkinsonssa.org.au</a> Internet: <a href="http://www.parkinsonssa.org.au">www.parkinsonssa.org.au</a>
<b>RLS - Restless Legs Syndrome Australia</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Information</li> <li>■ Advice</li> </ul>	Internet: <a href="http://www.rls.org.au">www.rls.org.au</a>
<b>Sleep Disorders Australia - South Australian Branch</b>  275 North Tce ADELAIDE SA 5000  Mail: P.O. Box 153 KENT TOWN SA 5071	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Fact file</li> <li>■ Treatments</li> <li>■ FAQs</li> </ul>	Phone: 08 8232 5319 1800 813 629 (free call) Email: <a href="http://sleepoz.org.au">sleepoz.org.au</a> > State Branches and Contacts > South Australia Internet: <a href="http://sleepoz.org.au">sleepoz.org.au</a>
<b>Telstra White Pages</b>	Age Page contains listing of Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing	

## Travel

Agency	Services	Contact
<b>AdelaideMetro</b>  Cnr King William and Currie Streets ADELAIDE SA 5000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Tickets</li> <li>■ Timetables</li> <li>■ Information about accessible buses and routes for people with disabilities</li> <li>■ Travel information for Seniors Card holders</li> </ul>	Phone: 1300 311 108 <b>(7 am - 8 pm, 7 days a week)</b> Internet: <a href="http://www.adelaidemetro.com.au">www.adelaidemetro.com.au</a> <a href="http://www.sa.gov.au/publictransport">www.sa.gov.au/publictransport</a>
<b>Australasian New Car Assessment Program (ANCAP)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Crash test results</li> <li>■ Australian New Car Assessment Program (ANCAP) results</li> </ul>	Email: <a href="mailto:ancap@ancap.com.au">ancap@ancap.com.au</a> Internet: <a href="http://www.ancap.com.au">www.ancap.com.au</a>

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Agency	Services	Contact
<b>Australian Traffic Safety Bureau</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Safety recommendations</li> <li>■ Statistical data</li> <li>■ Media releases</li> </ul>	Email: <a href="mailto:atsbinfo@atsb.gov.au">atsbinfo@atsb.gov.au</a> Internet: <a href="http://www.atsb.gov.au">www.atsb.gov.au</a> > type 'used car safety ratings' in the search box and select the 'Search all Australian Government websites' option.
<b>Bus SA</b>	South Australian regional bus travel – routes, timetables and concessions	Internet: <a href="http://www.bussa.com.au">www.bussa.com.au</a>
<b>Cars Guide</b>	Online buyers and sellers guide	Internet: <a href="http://www.carsguide.com.au">www.carsguide.com.au</a>
<b>Royal Automobile Association of South Australia (RAA)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Travel</li> <li>■ Insurance</li> <li>■ Road safety</li> <li>■ Online road rules test</li> <li>■ ANCAP and Used Car Safety Ratings brochures</li> </ul>	Phone: 08 8202 4600 TTY – telephone typewriter for deaf and hearing impaired: 08 8202 4750 Internet: <a href="http://www.raa.com.au">www.raa.com.au</a>
<b>South Australia</b>	Travel information – air, coach, train, ferry, public transport	Internet: <a href="http://www.southaustralia.com">www.southaustralia.com</a>
<b>Transport Accident Commission (TAC) Victoria</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Used Car Safety Ratings</li> <li>■ Facts for drivers</li> </ul>	Internet: <a href="http://www.howsafeisyourcar.com.au">www.howsafeisyourcar.com.au</a>

For resources and contact details of relevant government departments and other organisations refer to Information Sheet 11.

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