

# RAISED INTERSECTIONS

As part of Towards Zero, we're raising intersections across metropolitan Melbourne.

**Towards Zero is a plan to ensure no one is seriously injured or killed on our roads. The Victorian Government is investing \$1.4 billion to achieve fewer than 200 deaths by 2020 and reduce serious injuries by 15% on Victoria's roads.**

## What we're doing

Raised intersections are one of many safety features we're installing to improve the safety of intersections across Victoria.

We're raising high-risk intersections across Melbourne in two phases, with construction at the first phase of sites commencing in 2019.

After evaluating the success of these raised intersections, a second and final round of sites will be chosen, with construction beginning in 2020.

## How raised intersections work

Raised intersections are small platforms that act like gentle speed bumps, encouraging drivers to slow down as they cross the intersection.

Line markings will be placed on the approach to these intersections, to alert drivers they're approaching a raised platform.

Suggested speed limits will also be put in place for raised intersections, creating another reminder for road users to slow down. Depending on the intersection, the suggested speed could be up to 20km/h lower than the legal speed limit.

## Why we're doing this

Intersections pose a significant risk on our road network. In Victoria, 28% of deaths and 41% of serious injuries occur at intersections.

Raising high-risk intersections will improve safety by encouraging drivers to reduce their speed.

If vehicles enter an intersection at a slower speed, they have more time to react to unexpected conditions. Slowing slightly when entering an intersection also significantly reduces the risk of being seriously injured or killed in a crash.

## More information

To find out more about raised intersections, **email:** [safetravel@roads.vic.gov.au](mailto:safetravel@roads.vic.gov.au)

