

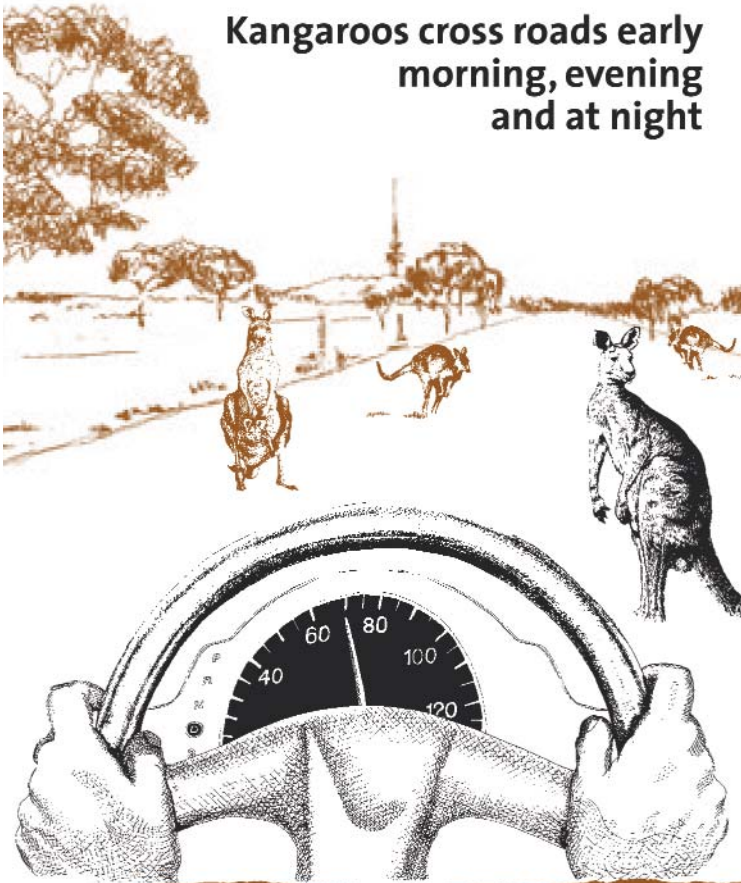


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Give kangaroos a 'brake'

# SLOW DOWN

Kangaroos cross roads early morning, evening and at night



## When do kangaroos cross roads?

Early morning, evening and night are peak times for kangaroos crossing roads especially:

- in winter and spring;
- either side of a full moon; and
- after a long dry period.

## What can I do to avoid a collision with a kangaroo?

- **Slow down** if you see a kangaroo on or beside the road.
- **Be alert**—kangaroos often travel together. If a kangaroo crosses the road, it is likely there are more following. Be aware of what is on the road as well as on the roadside ahead.
- **Don't swerve to miss a kangaroo.** By swerving you risk hitting oncoming cars, or running off the road.
- **Appoint a passenger to be a kangaroo 'spotter'.**

## What should I do if I hit a kangaroo?

Sometimes a kangaroo is too badly injured to hop away from an accident—these animals usually have to be humanely killed.

Report all accidents involving injured wildlife to one of the following:

- **Canberra Connect on 13 22 81;** or
- **Environment ACT Helpline on 6207 9777** (during business hours).

Be sure to explain whether the animal is dead or alive and its exact location.

Remember all accidents involving a motor vehicle should be reported to the police on 131 444.

## Where are kangaroo 'hot spots'?

- Belconnen Way
- Caswell Drive
- William Hovell Drive
- Fairbairn Ave
- Tharwa Drive
- Mugga Lane
- Long Gully Road
- Monaro Highway
- Majura Road
- Horse Park Drive
- Tuggeranong Parkway
- Hindmarsh Drive



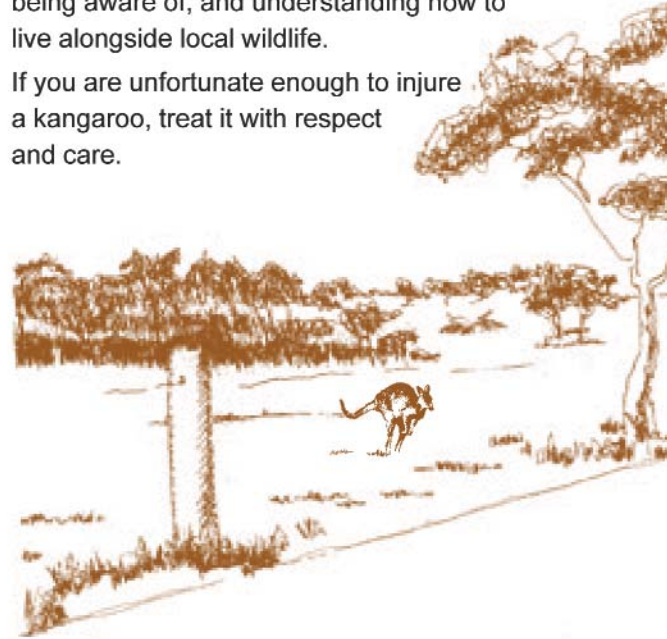
These roads are highlighted by large **SLOW DOWN** warning signs.



One of the benefits of living in Canberra is its natural environment setting. We live in close proximity to kangaroos and may come in contact with them on our roads. Remember the most effective way of avoiding a collision with kangaroos is to **SLOW DOWN!**

Creating a sustainable 'Bush Capital' means being aware of, and understanding how to live alongside local wildlife.

If you are unfortunate enough to injure a kangaroo, treat it with respect and care.



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