

Events Away, Transport & Lifts

As a way to protect instructors and members, Martyn Dipper Schools of Tae Kwon-Do do not recommend that any person in a position of authority transport children or young people to any event. This applies to people formally involved in teaching such as instructors, assistant instructors, helpers and anyone involved in helping to run a school i.e. doing admin etc.

Parents must make their own arrangements for transport, if they chose to do this amongst themselves it must be clear that they are delegating their parental responsibility on a temporary basis to another adult e.g. If they choose not to take their child to a competition or grading themselves there must be another adult available not only during the journey but also at the event.

The only exception would be if the parent accompanied the child in the vehicle.

It is not sufficient for the responsible person to be another young person. An instructor could not give two 17 year olds a lift. This applies equally if the young person is under 18 but has a vehicle; they cannot give a person in a position of authority a lift.

If a mini bus or coach is hired, it must hold a current roadworthiness certificate and all drivers have the appropriate driving licence and insurance. Passengers on minibuses will be required to wear seat belts where fitted and the driver will be responsible for making sure that all passengers use their seatbelts. If seatbelts are fitted on a bus, passengers must use them.

The driver will be responsible for letting people know that they must use seat belts.