

Transport for NSW will implement a High Pedestrian Activity Area, with a reduced speed limit of 40 km/h through Fox Street (the Castlereagh Highway) as well as some local roads.

The new speed limit comes into effect on 26 June 2024 and this change will maintain a constant lower speed environment and improve safety for pedestrians.

Transport for NSW carried out the speed limit review at the request of Walgett Shire Council, with speed and public amenity being the main recurring issue for the community.

The speed limit comes into effect from Wednesday 26 June 2024.

Walgett High Pedestrian Activity Area |
Speed limit changes



KEY  40 km/h speed zone

What is a 40 km/h High Pedestrian Activity Area (HPAA)?

These are areas of high pedestrian activity, near shopping areas, railway stations, bus interchanges, and services such as medical centres.

The maximum speed limit is 40 km/h at all times. The different road environment helps to alert drivers to the lower speed limit and makes them aware of the presence of pedestrians moving about or near the road. This creates a safer road environment for all road users, particularly for pedestrians, cyclists and children.

How will I know I am entering 40 km/h HPAA?

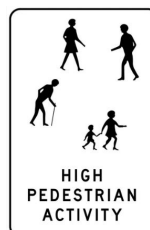
There is signage installed at the beginning and end of each zone which makes drivers and pedestrians aware of the different driving conditions.

Why 40 km/h ?

Managing speed, in accordance with safe system principles, is a key component in managing pedestrian safety.

Research and scientific analysis show that a pedestrian hit by a car travelling at 40 km/h has twice the chance of surviving the collision than if the car was travelling 50 km/h.

Travelling speeds higher than 40 km/h greatly increases the risk of injury and death to pedestrians.



Signs like this are used to clearly define the beginning of a 40 km/h zone.



Signs like this are installed on each exit road from the zone.

