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Protecting the lives of Tasmanian roadside workers
National Road Safety Week

RACT is joining in calls urging Tasmanians to Protect our Protectors and roadside workers as part of National Road Safety Week.

RACT Group CEO Mark Mugnaioni said every Tasmanian who worked by the road should have the right to safety while doing their job.

“For many Tasmanians, the road is their workplace,” Mr Mugnaioni said.

“These people who work by the road have the same right to a safe working environment as those who work in other settings, but unfortunately sometimes they are placed in dangerous situations due to the thoughtlessness of others.

“Every road user has a responsibility to make sure our emergency service workers, road and construction workers, and tow-truck and Roadside Assist workers return home safely after a shift.

“This means slowing down when you see flashing lights or hear alarms sounding, as well as following all roadworks and speed signs.

“We are pleased that mandatory speed limits have now been introduced for drivers passing RACT’s Roadside Assist workers with their lights on, and we call on all Tasmanians to be extra vigilant when you see someone working by the road.”

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