

Carpooling Etiquette

Most carpooling problems can be avoided by simply being courteous of others and setting clear expectations at the beginning of the carpool. Metro Rideshare encourages users to read through the following list and talk about these issues when establishing a carpool (*note*: not all are applicable to all Metro Rideshare users).

- Agree ahead of time on a payment plan for all carpoolers
- Establish ground rules for when a person must arrive to carpool (Ex: 5-minute grace period before leaving).
- Inform fellow carpoolers when you will not be able to carpool
- Talk to the others about whether you intend to use the commute time to talk, read, etc.
- Be considerate with selection of music or radio stations.
- Drive safely and courteously
- Do not talk on your cell phone while driving
- Keep the vehicle in clean, good condition
- Talk about "rules for the car" and respect agreed to conditions for eating, drinking, smoking, etc.
- Be punctual
- Be considerate and avoid offensive remarks in your conversation
- Passengers should avoid long cell phone conversations
- Do not use your carpool for personal errands