

THE CODE OF THE ROAD.

The London Headquarters of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents is a permanent training centre in road safety. It is an appropriate place for an introduction of the new penny edition of the Highway Code. The minister of Transport and Civil Aviation, Mr. John Boyd-Carpenter speaks on road safety and the Highway Code:

DRAFT STATEMENT BY MINISTER FOR HIGHWAYS

~~I have all heard about the new Highway Code. But have you read the code itself. It really is worth reading. For we all use the roads in one way or another. And we all run the risks which face us on the roads. Last year nearly a quarter of a million people were hurt on the roads. Ordinary people like you and me, going about their ordinary jobs. Over 5,000 who had started out one morning without a thought of danger were killed. Most of the people who were hurt or killed needn't have been involved in accidents which needn't have happened because somebody did something silly, something which the Highway Code warns us against. ~~That is why the Highway Code is well worth reading.~~ By reading it carefully, and following the sensible, practical advice which it gives, we may save somebody, perhaps ourselves from being killed or maimed. That goes for all of us. We can all learn from the Code whether we walk, cycle, or drive - something which will help to make our roads safer. It costs one penny. It is worth such more.~~

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