



# No Creative Driving at JFKS

We all agree that our children's safety has to be the priority. Following the traffic rules shows respect to all traffic participants in front of our school and is the only way to ensure safety for everyone on their way to and from school.

The JFKS Traffic Committee ([traffic@jfkberlin.org](mailto:traffic@jfkberlin.org)) was formed after the beginning of the school year 2015/2016 to address and solve the traffic situation around our school.

German traffic signs:

## 1. Absolutes Halteverbot:



This sign means: "No Stopping and No Parking at any time".

It is not a waiting zone for cars, and it means no one can drop off (or pick up) their children between the Hort building and the school ramp. Precisely, you cannot stop at all four bus stops near the school, not at the red light either. These are absolute **No Stopping Zones**.



This is the sign by the Hort building. It indicates that there is no stopping allowed at any time from this sign on, all the way to past the school ramp's entrance, not even for picking up or dropping off passengers.

It is also true on the opposite side of the school at Teltower Damm. Absolutely no stopping/parking allowed between the sign and the bus stop.



## 2. One Way Street sign



The school ramp is a one-way street – so it is not allowed to enter the one way street and to drive backwards. Only authorized vehicles are allowed to use the ramp.

Unfortunately, it is tempting to use the ramps as U-Turn places, or to drop off or pick up the children. During a U-Turn you are driving onto the sidewalk and bike lane - but doing so you are entering the one-way street. It is illegal to drive backwards again onto Teltower Damm. Furthermore, this maneuver is blocking your view and therefore puts in danger the many children and bicyclists walking to and from school.



There are 400 meters of legal places to park or to stop in between the ramp exit and entrance and more place further down the street. Please make your car passengers aware to watch for bicyclists when opening the car door - as the bike path is too close to the street.



### 3. Zebrastreifen



The crossing zones are also often put at risk during drop off and pick up times. Some drivers make a U-turn right in front or after the zebra crossing near the North ramp. It is not only forbidden, to turn around a traffic island, but also very dangerous for pedestrians. Please drive a bit further so you can find a street to turn into.



### 4. Schule Zeichen

Of course everybody knows those school signs, but sometimes we overlook them. So just as a reminder to watch our speed on Teltower Damm, here is a picture of the speed limit of 30 km/hour sign by our school.



- U-turns are not permitted over solid white lane dividers.
- U-turns are not permitted at the ramp exit, as this is not allowed to drive into a one-way street. Do not make U-turns at the ramp entrance during the morning or afternoon rush as it is not allowed to drive backwards in a one-way street.
- There are 400 meters of legal stopping areas on Teltower Damm parallel to the school - use this space for dropping off, picking up, and parking.
- No Stopping Zone (absolutes Halteverbot) means **no stopping at any time**, not even to drop off or pick up passengers!

All four Bus Stops near school have an additional No Stopping at any time sign, and it is unlawful to stop there.

Further information will follow.

Please report accidents by email with the date and time.

If you'd like to join or send comments or questions to the Traffic Committee, please send an email to [traffic@jfkberlin.org](mailto:traffic@jfkberlin.org) .