

# Bus Éireann Status Red Weather Warning

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(in affected areas)

## **Services provided under the School Transport Schemes** **(Bus Éireann school buses and Contractors services)**

Bus Éireann has decided as a precaution against severe weather and in the interest of child safety, to introduce a policy applicable to all school transport services that it provides under the Department of Education and Skills School Transport Schemes - for ALL Met Éireann Status Red weather events.

This means that when a Red alert is issued by Met Éireann for the area in which you live – or an area to which your child/ren are travelling to on a school bus – the services will not operate.

This policy is available on [www.buseireann.ie/statusred](http://www.buseireann.ie/statusred). A Status Red weather warning automatically means all school transport services provided by Bus Éireann under the School Transport Schemes are cancelled – in the affected areas – while the warning is in effect.

Weather warnings are carried on all national and local news bulletins.

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While Bus Éireann may not be providing school transport services because of this new policy, it understands that when any severe weather is forecast it remains for each individual school to decide whether that school should close or not.

Guidance on school closure - provided by the Department of Education and Skills and contained in the Government's Winter Ready publication - includes specific guidance where there is a Status Red alert relating to strong wind and storm conditions. The Department of Education and Skills guidance to schools in the event of severe weather is available on [www.education.ie](http://www.education.ie)

Thank you for taking the time to read this email.

Yours sincerely,  
Bus Éireann