**Roles, Responsibilities and Functions**

***Our Vision***

*‘*The Road Safety Authority is recognised as the leading voice for road safety both Nationally and Internationally, driving change in attitudes and behaviours in road users, collaborating with key stakeholders, to save lives’

***Our Mission***

The aim of the Road Safety Authority is to save lives and prevent injuries by reducing the number and severity of collisions on the road. This is reflected in our maxim, Working to Save Lives

***Our purpose***

***For the General Public***

* We research, educate and intervene to ensure that all road users are safer, year on year, creating the awareness, attitudes and behaviours to build intolerance towards any level of injury and death.

***For Road Users***

* We set standards, we set out training, we test and we provide feedback so that road users can achieve an acceptable level of competence, that vehicles are at an acceptable level of safety such that road users can be confident about their own safety and the safety of others in their use of the road.

***For Professional Drivers and Business***

* We establish a regime to protect road users, drivers, commercial and public enterprises from the hazards of defective vehicles and poor commercial driving practices to ensure their road users and the commercial enterprise is not impacted negatively.

***For victims, victim organisations and those impacted by collisions***

* We advocate to reduce the personal, family and community impact of death and injuries on our roads.

The RSA works to improve road safety in Ireland by:

* Developing and implementing [information and education campaigns](http://www.rsa.ie/RSA/Road-Safety/Education/) to increase awareness of road safety and promote safer driving
* Improving [vehicle standards](http://www.rsa.ie/RSA/Licensed-Drivers/About-Your-Car/)
* Establishing and monitoring a [standard for driver instruction](http://www.rsa.ie/Utility/Driving-Instructors1/)
* Overseeing the [system of driver licensing](http://www.rsa.ie/RSA/Learner-Drivers/) and [undertaking certain enforcement activities](http://www.rsa.ie/RSA/Licensed-Drivers/Penalty-points/)
* Working with stakeholders to ensure a coordinated response and ensure our collective resources are used wisely and efficiently
* Undertaking [accident and road safety research](http://www.rsa.ie/RSA/Road-Safety/RSA-Statistics/) in order to develop measures and recommendations to improve road safety
* Advising the Minister for Transport on road safety policy
* Producing road safety strategy documents and monitoring their implementation