

Pedestrian Safety



For Pedestrian

- ▶ Walk on sidewalks whenever they are available. If there is no sidewalk, walk facing traffic and as far from traffic as possible.
- ▶ Follow the rules of the road and obey signs and signals.
- ▶ Watch for vehicles entering or exiting driveways or backing up in parking lots. Never step out from between parked vehicles to cross a street as drivers may not see you.
- ▶ Look left and right before stepping out into the street. Always ensure all vehicles have stopped and all drivers can see you before stepping off the curb. Cross as quickly as possible to minimize your time on the road.
- ▶ Cross at an intersection, when possible, and watch for drivers turning left or right through the crosswalk, as drivers may be focused on oncoming traffic and not see you.
- ▶ Do everything possible to make yourself visible to drivers.
- ▶ Watch out for young children as they may be unaware of the dangers and need help from parents to prevent them from being hurt.
- ▶ Remove your headphones and take a break from your phone while crossing the road.

For Motorists



- ▶ Always look out for pedestrians.
- ▶ Use extra caution when driving in hard-to-see conditions.
- ▶ Slow down and be prepared to stop when turning or otherwise entering a crosswalk.
- ▶ Drivers must stop and yield the right-of-way to pedestrians at crosswalks, and stop well back from the crosswalk to give other vehicles an opportunity to see the crossing pedestrians.
- ▶ Never pass vehicles stopped at a crosswalk. There may be people crossing where you can't see.
- ▶ Follow the speed limit, and slow down around people on the street, in school/playground zones and in neighborhoods where children are present.
- ▶ Be extra cautious when backing up and look for pedestrians.
- ▶ Focus on the road and avoid driving distracted. Expect the unexpected, even mid-block, as pedestrians may be crossing.

“Never drive under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs; they impair your abilities and your judgment”