

CREATING A SAFE, WALKABLE COMMUNITY

At some point in our lives, everyone is a pedestrian. We walk to the mailbox down the street, to school, the store, and to work. Pedestrian safety is the responsibility of everyone who uses our roads and sidewalks.

6 TIPS TO BE A SAFER PEDESTRIAN AND ROAD USER

1. BE ALERT AND AWARE

Distracted walking can be just as dangerous as distracted driving. All road and sidewalk users should pay attention to their surroundings at all times.

2. OBEY THE LAWS

Drivers and pedestrians should obey all traffic control devices, including crosswalks and crosswalk signals. Drivers are required to yield to pedestrians at intersections.

3. SEE AND BE SEEN

Pedestrians should wear bright or reflective clothing, especially when walking at night. Drivers and pedestrians should make eye contact with each other when navigating intersections.

4. LOOK OUT FOR CHILDREN

Children can be impulsive. Stay vigilant around neighborhoods and schools and slow down. Teach your children safe road habits like looking both ways and to always use a crosswalk.

5. FOLLOW THE SPEED LIMIT

Speed limits and school zones exist to keep all road users safer. Slow down around pedestrians and when driving through neighborhoods and parking lots.

6. KNOW YOUR COMMUNITY

Learn where the crosswalks, school zones, and unsafe areas are in your community. Plan your route accordingly and enjoy a safer, more convenient walk or commute.



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