

CROSSING STREETS SAFELY



WHEN WALKING

- Don't cross in the middle of the block or between parked cars.
- Make sure you are seen, especially at dusk or when it's dark.
- Make eye contact with drivers and cyclists before you cross.
- At crosswalks, cross when traffic has come to a complete stop.
- Watch for traffic turning at intersections or turning into and leaving driveways.

WHEN CYCLING

- When riding with traffic, follow the rules of the road; e.g. stopping at red lights & crossings.
- Dismount and walk your bike across the road.
- Make sure you are seen, especially at dusk or when it's dark. Have front and rear bike lights.
- Make eye contact with drivers/pedestrians at intersections.
- At crosswalks, cross when traffic has come to a complete stop.
- Watch for traffic turning at intersections or turning into and leaving driveways.

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WHEN DRIVING

- Be prepared to stop for pedestrians, especially when turning.
- Watch for children. Drive slowly and cautiously where children could be walking or playing.
- Stop behind the yield line.
- Make eye contact to make sure pedestrian sees you.
- Be patient, especially with seniors or pedestrians with disabilities who need more time to cross the road.
- Wait until pedestrian is completely across the road before proceeding.

FINES

Drivers will be fined **\$150 to \$500 and 3 demerit points** for offences at pedestrian crossings/school crossings.

The maximum fine for running a red light is \$200 to \$1,000.

Fines are **doubled in Community Safety Zones**, near schools and public areas. These areas are clearly marked with signs.

Cyclists can also be fined for not stopping at crossings or stop signs, or for not yielding to pedestrians.

FOR PARENTS

Show your children how to cross a road safely. Teach them to:

- Stop at the edge of the sidewalk, and look both ways before crossing the road.
- Make eye contact with other road users before crossing.
- Watch for vehicles that may be turning.

