

Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB)

Making Pedestrian Crossings Safer

What is it?

A rectangular rapid flashing beacon (RRFB) is a form of traffic control that uses flashing yellow lights at a crosswalk to warn motorists of pedestrians or bicyclists waiting to cross or already crossing the street.

How does it work?

A pedestrian pushes the button, the warning lights are activated, notifying motorists of activity in the crosswalk. The pedestrian proceeds carefully into the crosswalk as vehicles yield to the crossing pedestrian or bicyclist.

Nebraska state law requires motorists to yield to pedestrians in crosswalks.

The flashing lights of an RRFB help to increase a motorist's awareness of a pedestrian crossing.



Federal Highway Administration research indicates RRFBs increase driver yielding by up to 88%

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HOW TO USE AN RRFB

-RECTANGULAR RAPID FLASHING BEACON-

PEDESTRIANS & BICYCLISTS

- Press the button on the RRFB to activate the flashing lights.
- Look to see that motorists are yielding before proceeding into and through the crosswalk.
- Cross the street, staying within the bounds of the crosswalk and looking both directions to ensure vehicles are yielding.
- Bicyclists: When riding in the travel lane, ride in the direction of traffic, obey all traffic laws, and yield to pedestrians.

MOTORISTS

Always stop for pedestrians and bicyclists entering or in a crosswalk.

- Begin yielding when approaching an activated RRFB.
- Do not pass another vehicle that has stopped or is slowing down at a crosswalk.
- Come to a complete stop at or before the triangular-shaped yield-line pavement markings.
- · Do not stop within or block a crosswalk.
- Remain stopped for pedestrians or bicyclists that are within the crosswalk, regardless of whether the RRFB is activated.
- · Ensure crosswalk is clear before resuming travel.



For more information, visit ltu.lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: RRFB) or call 402-441-5511.