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TRAFFIC SAFETY TIPS



SAFETY TIPS | WHEN WALKING



- 1 Be predictable! Follow the rules of the road and obey signs and signals.
- 2 Always look for vehicles in all directions, including those turning left or right.
- 3 Walk on sidewalks whenever they are available.
- 4 If there are no sidewalks, walk facing traffic and as far from traffic as possible.
- 5 Cross streets at crosswalks or intersections, where drivers expect pedestrians.
- 6 If a crosswalk or intersection is not available, locate a well-lit area where you have the best view of traffic before safely crossing.
- 7 Never assume a driver sees you. Make eye contact with drivers as they approach to make sure you are seen.
- 8 Be visible at all times. Wear bright clothing during the day, and wear reflective materials or use a flashlight at night.
- 9 Watch for vehicles entering or exiting driveways or backing up in parking lots.
- 10 Stay alert! Avoid distractions that take your eyes and ears off the road.

SAFETY TIPS | WHEN BIKING



- 1 Inspect your bike prior to riding. Conduct your ABC Quick Check (air, brakes, chain).
- 2 Wear a helmet. Make sure it fits and is properly secured before riding.
- 3 Be alert! Watch for vehicles, pedestrians, and road hazards.
- 4 Obey all traffic laws, especially around people walking or driving.
- 5 Be predictable. Ride on the right and with the flow of traffic. Ride where drivers can see you.
- 6 Look before changing lanes and signal your intentions.
- 7 Watch for pedestrians. Cyclists shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians.
- 8 Pass pedestrians with care by first announcing "on your left" or "passing on your left" or use a bell.
- 9 Be visible at all times. Wear bright clothing during the day and wear reflective materials at night.
- 10 Always have a working white light on the front and a red light on the back of your bike at night.

SAFETY TIPS | WHEN DRIVING



- 1 Be alert! Scan the road and sides of roads for bicycles and pedestrians.
- 2 Avoid distracted and aggressive driving. Stay off your phone.
- 3 Obey all traffic laws, especially around people walking or biking along the street.
- 4 Reduce your speed in school zones and in residential neighborhoods where children are present.
- 5 Slow down and be prepared to stop when turning, especially when turning right or entering a crosswalk.
- 6 Yield to pedestrians in crosswalks! Pedestrians and cyclists have the right-of-way when entering or occupying a marked crosswalk.
- 7 Never pass or drive around a vehicle that is stopped for pedestrians. Especially vehicles stopped at crosswalks.
- 8 Stop for people crossing at every intersection, even those without crosswalks or stop lights.
- 9 Be extra cautious when backing up, pedestrians can move into your path.
- 10 Use extra caution when driving in hard-to-see conditions, such as bad weather or nighttime.