#### **Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB)**

Drivers must stop for people in the crosswalk when lights are flashing. People who are walking must push a button to activate the signal and should wait for vehicles to stop before crossing.



#### **Bike lanes**



Only people riding bikes can use this space. Drivers can only enter this space when bike lane lines are dashed. A lane painted green indicates a potential point of conflict between auto and bicycle traffic.

#### Shared lane markings (sharrows)



Both people who ride bikes and drivers can use this space. It's safest for people on bikes to ride directly over this symbol.



# **State Laws**

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#### People who walk must . . .

- · Cross within a crosswalk if one is present.
- · Yield the right-of-way to motorists and bicyclists when crossing outside of a marked crosswalk.
- Give ample time for a vehicle to yield prior to entering the street.
- Only enter the street during the "WALK" symbol when crossing at a signal.



#### People who bike must . . .

- Obey the same traffic signs, signals, and laws as a motorist.
- Signal when stopping or turning.
- Use a white front headlight and have a red rear reflector at night.
- · Yield the right-of-way to pedestrians on sidewalks or crosswalks.



#### People who drive must . . .

- · Yield the right-of-way to pedestrians at marked unsignalized crosswalks.
- Yield the right-of-way to pedestrians when turning at a signal.
- Share the road with bicyclists; they are legally allowed to ride on all roads.

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# Walking safety tips

Be seen: Stay visible, stay alert

Always...

- Look left-right-left before crossing a street and watch for turning vehicles.
- Cross streets at marked crosswalks or intersections.
- Obey all traffic signals.
- Walk on the sidewalk; if there is no sidewalk, walk facing traffic.

#### Never...

- Assume drivers see you. Wait for them to stop and make eye contact before crossing a street.
- Walk after dark and in bad weather without bright and reflective clothing.
- Walk distracted, including talking or texting on your phone or listening to headphones.



## **Biking safety tips**

#### Be safe: Follow the rules, be predictable

#### Always...

- Obey all traffic signs and signals.
- Ride with traffic, not against it.
- Watch for turning vehicles at intersections and driveways.
- Use your hands to signal when you plan to turn, slow down, or stop.
- Wear a properly fitted helmet. ٠

#### Never...

- Ride after dark without a white headlight, a red rear light, and bright and reflective clothing.
- Ride distracted, including talking or texting on your phone or listening to headphones.



Be aware: Slow down, look

#### Always...

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- Watch for people who are walking and biking.
- Yield to people walking and biking when turning.
- Stop or yield to people within all crosswalks. •
- Leave 5 feet when passing bicyclists.
- Obey the posted speed limit.

#### Never...

- Block or park in crosswalks and bike lanes.
- Pass a vehicle that is stopped for pedestrians.
- Drive distracted, including talking or texting on your phone.
- Drive after consuming alcohol or drugs.

### **Follow pedestrian signals**



Start crossing You may begin to cross the street.



Do not enter the street. If you have already begun to cross continue to the other side. The counter at the bottom

tells you the time remaining to finish crossina.

Don't cross Do not enter the street. If you are in the street, get out.

### Use hand signals



#### Slow down to see more

