

Let's all SLOW DOWN FOR SAFETY

Oregon's traffic laws affect us all – pedestrians³ and drivers alike.

When people are out walking, they are required to obey crossing signals and markings, but they're also unprotected and vulnerable. As a driver, you can prevent a life-changing crash by slowing down, continually scanning your environment and being prepared to stop and ready to yield — no matter who has the right of way.

By being in the habit of looking out for people walking, you can help assure all Oregonians get home safe.

Remember these SAFETY TIPS:

- Never drive distracted. Keep your eyes off your phone, and be on the lookout for walkers who may be distracted. They could step into the street unexpectedly.
- **Do not pass** a vehicle stopped at a crosswalk. It's illegal, and a sign people may be crossing.
- On a multi-lane road, try to stop 30 feet before the crosswalk. It improves visibility for other drivers and people walking.
- When stopping at an intersection, always avoid blocking the crosswalk. It forces pedestrians into dangerous situations.
- Be alert for children who may dart into the street.
- Be extra aware especially for children when exiting driveways and backing out of parking spaces.
- Watch out around restaurants and bars for people with slowed reaction times or impaired judgement.
- Be cautious in low light conditions.



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What you need to know about

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Oregon's crosswalk laws are designed to give pedestrians time and space to get safely across the street. They help us all get where we're going safely.

Know the CROSSWALK LAWS



- In Oregon¹, every intersection is a crosswalk — whether it's marked or not.
- Crosswalks may also exist between intersections (mid-block), but only when marked with painted white lines.
- By law², a pedestrian is in a crosswalk when any part of the pedestrian moves into the roadway, at a crosswalk, with the intent to proceed.
- That includes not only the pedestrian's body, but also a wheelchair, cane, crutch, bicycle or any other extension of the person.
- A driver may be cited and fined more than \$250 for failing to stop for a pedestrian.





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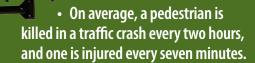
walking have cleared your lane, plus the lane next to you.

When turning at a traffic signal, until people crossing have cleared the lane you are turning into and at least six feet of the next lane.

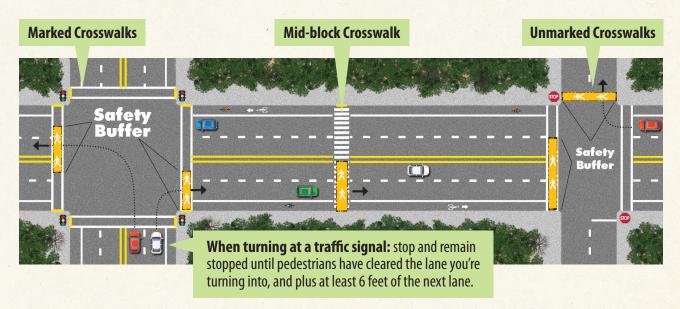
In school zones, as directed by crossing guards.

For people who are blind (using a white cane or a quide dog), until they are completely across the roadway.

PEDESTRIANS ARE VULNERABLE. HELF KEEP THEM SAFE.



- The majority of motor vehicle crashes involving people walking are caused by drivers failing to yield to them.
- A quarter of all pedestrians struck by vehicles are hit in crosswalks.



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