

Share the Road

Five Tips for Motorists to make New York's Roadways Safer for People Walking and Bicycling



Drive Cautiously:

- ✓ Reduce speed when encountering pedestrians and cyclists
- ✓ Don't tailgate cyclists, especially in bad weather
- ✓ Recognize hazards cyclists may face and give them space



Yield to Pedestrians and Cyclists:

- ✓ Pedestrians in crosswalks have the right-of-way
- ✓ Bicycles are considered vehicles
- ✓ Cyclists should be given the appropriate right of way
- ✓ Allow extra time for people to traverse intersections



Watch for Children:

- ✓ Children on foot and on bicycles are often unpredictable
- ✓ Expect the unexpected and slow down
- ✓ Don't expect children to know traffic laws
- ✓ Because of their size children can be harder to see



Be Considerate:

- ✓ Scan for cyclists in traffic and at intersections
- ✓ Do not blast your horn in close proximity to cyclists
- ✓ Look for cyclists when opening car doors



Pass with Care:

- ✓ When passing, leave at least three feet between you and a cyclist
- ✓ Wait for safe road and traffic conditions before you pass
- ✓ Check over your shoulder before moving back



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