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### About the **SHARE THE ROAD SAFETY TASK FORCE**

**The Share the Road Safety Task Force is a collaboration of government agencies, law enforcement, public health agencies, community groups, advocates, and others who are working to reduce the number of crashes involving pedestrians and bicyclists in Greater Kansas City. Our work includes public education, outreach, and coordinated law enforcement events.**

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# safety tips

**for Motorists, Bicyclists  
and Pedestrians**





# for MOTORISTS



# for PEDESTRIANS

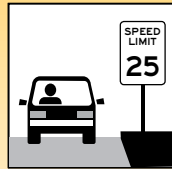


# for BICYCLISTS

**Stop for pedestrians** at crosswalks and intersections — it's the law.



**Slow down and obey the posted speed limit.**

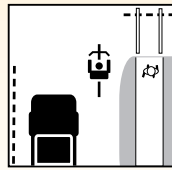


**Do not block crosswalks** while stopping at intersections.

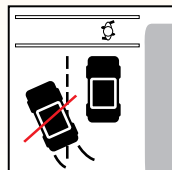


**Take extra care** around schools, playgrounds and neighborhoods.

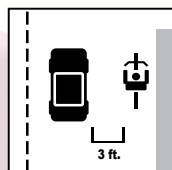
**Always look out for bicyclists or pedestrians**, especially before turning at a green light or making a "right turn on red."



**Be careful when passing stopped vehicles.** They might be stopping for pedestrians.



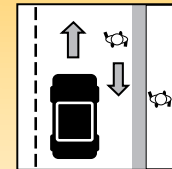
**Allow 3 feet of space** when passing bicyclists.



**Cross the street at marked crosswalks** and intersections whenever possible. Before crossing, look left, right, then left again, and over your shoulder for turning vehicles.



**Use sidewalks.** If there are none, walk facing traffic so you see vehicles, and drivers see you.



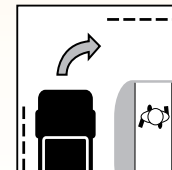
**Use pedestrian pushbuttons** to activate/extend the walk signal. Begin crossing the street on "Walk" signals — never on a solid or flashing "Don't Walk."



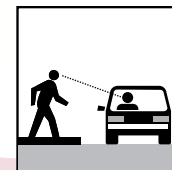
**Stay visible after dark** and in bad weather with light colored or retroreflective clothing.



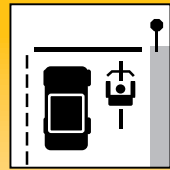
**Pay attention to turning vehicles** — especially trucks and buses making a "right turn on red." Be aware that truck/bus drivers often have to swing wide to negotiate turns.



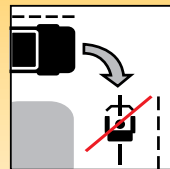
**Make eye contact with drivers** so they see you. Never assume they do.



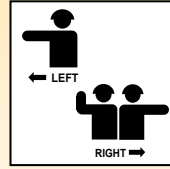
**Obey all regulatory signs and traffic lights.** Bicyclists must follow the same laws as other vehicles if they are to be taken seriously by motorists.



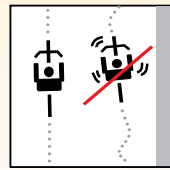
**Never ride against traffic.** Motorists aren't looking for bicyclists riding on the wrong side of the road. Ride with traffic to avoid potential accidents.



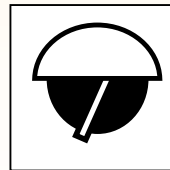
**Use hand signals.** Hand signals tell motorists what you intend to do. Signal as a matter of law, courtesy and safety.



**Ride in a straight line.** Whenever possible, ride in a straight line to the right of traffic and about a car door width away from parked cars.



**Always wear a helmet** whenever you ride a bicycle. Helmets dramatically reduce the risk of head injury in a bicycle accident.



**Use lights at night.** Always use a strong head light and tail light at night and when visibility is poor.

