APPROACHING A CROSSWALK?

Crosswalks prioritize space on the roadway for people on foot. Whether you are approaching a crosswalk in a car or on a bike, always yield to pedestrians. It’s the law.

What to know about crosswalks...

1. When approaching a crosswalk, watch for pedestrians and stop well before reaching it. Some crosswalks include flashing beacons to highlight when people are crossing.

2. Some crosswalks include a row of triangles before the crosswalk that look like shark teeth. Always stop behind the “shark teeth” if pedestrians are present.

3. Yellow crosswalks mean you are in a school zone. Take extra care and watch for children entering the street. Stop well before you reach the crosswalk to help other drivers see children crossing.

If you’re on foot...

1. Always use a crosswalk or cross at an intersection.
2. Look left, then right, then left again before crossing once it’s safe to do so.
3. Make eye contact with drivers and bicyclists before stepping into the crosswalk. Make sure they’ve seen you and are waiting for you to cross.
4. Keep your eyes up and your phone down.