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PEDESTRIAN / DRIVER SAFETY TIPS

The Rockville City Police Department would like to remind residents to please take the time to practice these very important safety tips provided below.

Safety Tips For Pedestrians

- **DO NOT JAYWALK.** Always cross the street at marked crosswalks or signaled intersections
- **STOP AT THE CURB BEFORE CROSSING AND LOOK BEFORE CROSSING:** Look left, right and then left again.
- Watch for vehicles pulling out of parking spaces.
- Use the pedestrian pushbuttons.
- Begin crossing the street on the walk signal. **DO NOT START CROSSING IF THE DO NOT WALK SIGNAL HAS STARTED TO FLASH.**
- Stay visible after dark and in bad weather. Wear light colored clothing, or clothing with reflective tape, and carry a flashlight.
- Always walk on the sidewalk. If there is no sidewalk and you have to walk in the road, always walk facing traffic, so you can see what is approaching you.
- Treat parking lots as you would a road – be aware and constantly look for moving vehicles.
- **DO NOT WALK BEHIND A VEHICLE THAT IS BACKING UP.**
- **DO NOT ASSUME DRIVERS SEE YOU.**

Safety Tips for Drivers

- Always stay alert for pedestrians, especially in school zones, and in public transportation areas (bus depots, train stations, etc.)
- Don't assume pedestrians see you.
- **BE ESPECIALLY CAUTIOUS BACKING OUT OF A SPACE** – especially when you are parked next to a taller vehicle that obstructs your view.
- **SLOW DOWN IN PARKING LOTS** – they are not speedways
- Treat Parking lots as you would a road.
- **STOP FOR ALL PEDESTRIANS IN THE CROSSWALK.**

For more information about Pedestrian and Driver Safety Tips, please visit the National Highway Traffic and Safety Administration's website at <http://www.nhtsa.gov/>



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