

Safety Tools in the Traffic Environment



School Crosswalks:
Ladder-striped crosswalks installed in school zones where school children are directed to cross. The stripes make the crosswalks more visible to drivers, making them more alert when approaching these crosswalks.



Regular pedestrian crosswalk:
The area of the roadway, bounded by parallel white lines, where pedestrians are directed to cross.



Advance warning sign:
Located in areas around schools where children are directed to walk and cross streets. The fluorescent yellow-green signs warn drivers to proceed with caution.



Traffic Signal/Pedestrian Signal: The red, yellow and green lights, as well as the pedestrian signals (with the symbolic **Walking Figure=WALK** and **Raised Hand=DON'T WALK**), are designed to let people in vehicles and on foot know who has the right-of-way. Traffic signals help manage traffic flow on main and cross streets, and help pedestrians cross an intersection safely.



All-way stop:
Requires vehicles approaching from all directions to stop. The signs act to reduce conflicts between vehicles, prevent crashes and control traffic.



Traffic flow:
The direction in which traffic moves. **ONE WAY** signs indicate streets where vehicles are allowed to travel in one direction only.



Speed reducer:
Raised "bump" placed across residential streets, designed to calm (or slow) traffic in residential areas and near schools.