

Community Corner

CROSSWALK CLARITY

Rules, Rights, and Responsibilities

What is considered a crosswalk?

A crosswalk is any part of the road set aside for pedestrians, typically marked with lines or other pavement markings.

A crosswalk is located perpendicular to the roadway at intersections, whether there is a curb or not. In New York State, markings are not always present for a crossing at an intersection.



This is a crosswalk!

Intersections without pavement markings are still crosswalks.

What if there isn't a marked crosswalk?

When there is no marked crosswalk nearby, pedestrians should cross at an intersection.

Pedestrians have the right-of-way at intersections, whether they are marked or not, and at marked mid-block crossings.

How should a crosswalk be used?

If there are no pedestrian signals at an intersection, wait until the traffic moving parallel to your direction has a green light, then cross in front of the stopped vehicles. Never cross in front of traffic that has a green light.

At crosswalks without traffic signals, drivers must yield to pedestrians, but pedestrians should not dart out in front of vehicles.

Pedestrians, Vehicles, Bikes: who has the right-of-way, where?

At intersections with marked & **unmarked** crosswalks

- Right of way: pedestrians

At marked mid-block crossings

- Right of way: pedestrians

Everywhere else

- Right of way: motor vehicles and bicycles