

# Walking Safety Tips

## General Walking Safety Tips:

- Learn and obey traffic signals and signs.
- Cross at corners, using traffic signals and crosswalks.
- Stop at the curb, or at the edge of the road if there is no curb, before crossing the street.
- Look left—right—and left again before crossing.
- Always walk facing traffic.
- Watch for cars that are turning and backing up.



## Safe Winter Walking Tips

❄️ If the sidewalks and walkways are impassable and you have to walk in the street, walk against traffic and as close to the curb as possible.

❄️ Proper gear is a must, but wearing dark “winter” colors can make it difficult for motorists to see you. Wear a brightly colored scarf, hat or reflective gear, especially if you have to walk in the street.

❄️ Remember to wear gloves and footwear with non-slip soles.

❄️ Snow that has accumulated into drifts can muffle the



**The same snow and ice that creates a winter wonderland can turn familiar territory into a hazardous landscape for pedestrians.**

sounds of approaching motor vehicles. Hats and scarves that cover your ears can muffle these noises even more. Keep warm, but be sure that you can hear what is going on around you.

❄️ When traveling with children and babies be sure to dress them warmly in brightly colored or reflective clothing.

❄️ Snow and ice may keep motorists

from stopping at traffic signals or slowing down for pedestrians. Be sure to wait until that any approaching vehicles come to a full stop before entering the crosswalk.

### Teach your Child Street Smarts - Because Traffic and Children Don't Mix

Each year, nearly 1000 children ages 14 and under die as pedestrians. Thousands more are injured. Children ages 5 to 9 are at greatest risk.

! Make sure your child plays in safe places - never in the street.

! Fence off play areas from the driveway and street.

! Teach your child to never run or dart out into

the street for a ball, pet or any other reason.

! Teach your child to never run out from between parked cars.

! Teach your child to make eye contact with drivers before crossing in front of them. Teach them that although they can see the driver, the driver may not always see them.



Teach them to obey all traffic signs