



for Pedestrians in the Crosswalk

- Pedestrians have the right of way -**
- When crossing within a crosswalk.
 - When crossing a street at an intersection and the green light is in their favor.
 - When on a sidewalk as it crosses any alley, street entrance or driveway.
 - When they are blind, are using a cane or guide dog to cross anywhere on a street.

Why is pedestrian safety important?

In Delaware in 2004:

- A total of 244 traffic crashes were classified as pedestrian crashes.
- Of these, 7% (17) were fatal.
- Of the 17 pedestrians killed in 2004, 8 were under the influence of alcohol.
- Sussex County accounted for 20 of those crashes, 4 of the fatalities.
- Children under 15 years of age accounted for 40% of the bicyclist injuries.

The City of Lewes is dedicated to making Lewes “pedestrian-friendly.”

The Lewes Pedestrian Safety Review Committee continues to work toward meeting the goals of the Lewes Pedestrian Policy adopted by the Mayor and Council. The Mayor and Council appoint its members, who represent a cross-section of the community. The committee welcomes your concerns and suggestions about any areas that you believe may need attention.

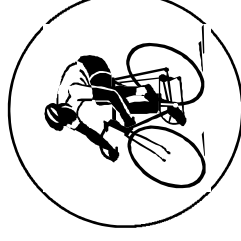
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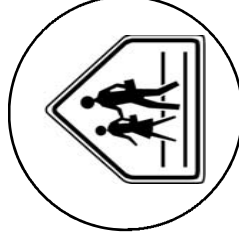
You can make Lewes a safe place to walk and ride!

For more information about the City of Lewes,
Go to: <http://www.ci.lewes.de.us/>

Let's keep Lewes a safe place to walk and bicycle!



BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN SAFETY



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the Lewes Police Department.

Your Responsibilities as a ...

Motorist

- **STOP** for any pedestrian within a crosswalk.
- Never pass a vehicle stopped to allow a pedestrian to cross the roadway.
- Use extra caution near a school, hospital, senior housing or residential area.
- Never block or park in a crosswalk.
- Stop for any blind person using a cane or guide dog, any obviously confused or incapacitated person, or any child regardless of signs, signals or markings.
- Look carefully for traffic before leaving your vehicle. Don't become a pedestrian casualty.
- Do not park on a sidewalk. Always park with the right wheels against the curb. (Does not apply on one-way streets.)
- Observe posted speed limits. This will give you time to slow or stop for pedestrians.
- **Drive defensively at all times.**

Pedestrian

- Cross roads and streets at crosswalks using the right half of the crosswalk.
- Do not suddenly leave a curb or safety zone and walk or run into the path of a vehicle.
- Do not walk on a roadway when under the influence of alcohol or prescription drugs.
- Carry a light or reflector when walking along a roadway at night. Wear light colored clothing, if possible.
- Do not walk in the road or street when a sidewalk is available.
- When there is no sidewalk, walk on the left shoulder facing oncoming traffic.
- Never stand in a highway to ask for a ride or to conduct any business.



Bicyclist

- A bicycle has the same rights and responsibilities as a motor vehicle.
- No bicycle shall be used to carry more passengers at one time than that for which it is designed or equipped.
- All riders under the age of sixteen must wear a properly fitted and fastened bicycle helmet.
- No person riding upon a bicycle, skateboard or skates shall attach himself or herself to any motor vehicle or a highway.
- A bicyclist must ride as close as possible to the right hand edge of the roadway and travel in the *same direction* as motor vehicle traffic.
- Bicycles are not permitted on sidewalks, except children aged 12 years or younger.
- A cyclist pushing a bicycle across a roadway or in a crosswalk shall have all the rights of a pedestrian.

