



WHO HAS THE RIGHT OF WAY?

When you meet a motorist in the road, who has the right of way?

- At crosswalks without traffic signals, pedestrians have the right of way. Georgia law says the motorists must stop and stay stopped to allow you to cross.
- If a pedestrian signal exists, wait until the “walk” signal appears. As long as you leave the curb during the “walk” phase, you have the right of way.



Pedestrians also have the right of way over motorists who are:

- Turning right or left, even on green lights
- Turning right on red
- Exiting driveways or alleys

This pamphlet identifies pedestrian rights and provides techniques for asserting them. Put these techniques to use, and you'll reduce your risk of being hit by a car. You'll also find yourself spending less time waiting to cross the street.

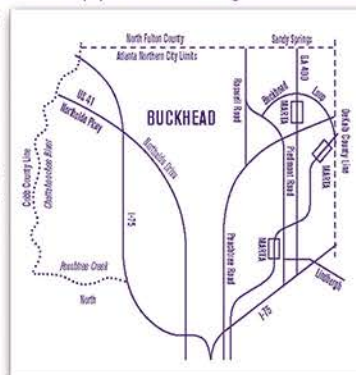
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Our main areas of programming are rooted in sustainability and include:

- **Greenspace**
- **Energy Efficiency**
- **Commute Alternatives**
- **Recycling**
- **Arts and Culture**
- **Development and Land Use**

Buckhead is defined as the 28 square mile area four miles north of Atlanta's central business district. It encompasses approximately 21 million square feet of office space, over 5,000 hotel rooms, 1,400 retail outlets, 300 restaurants, 31,000 multi-family units and 18,000 single family homes.



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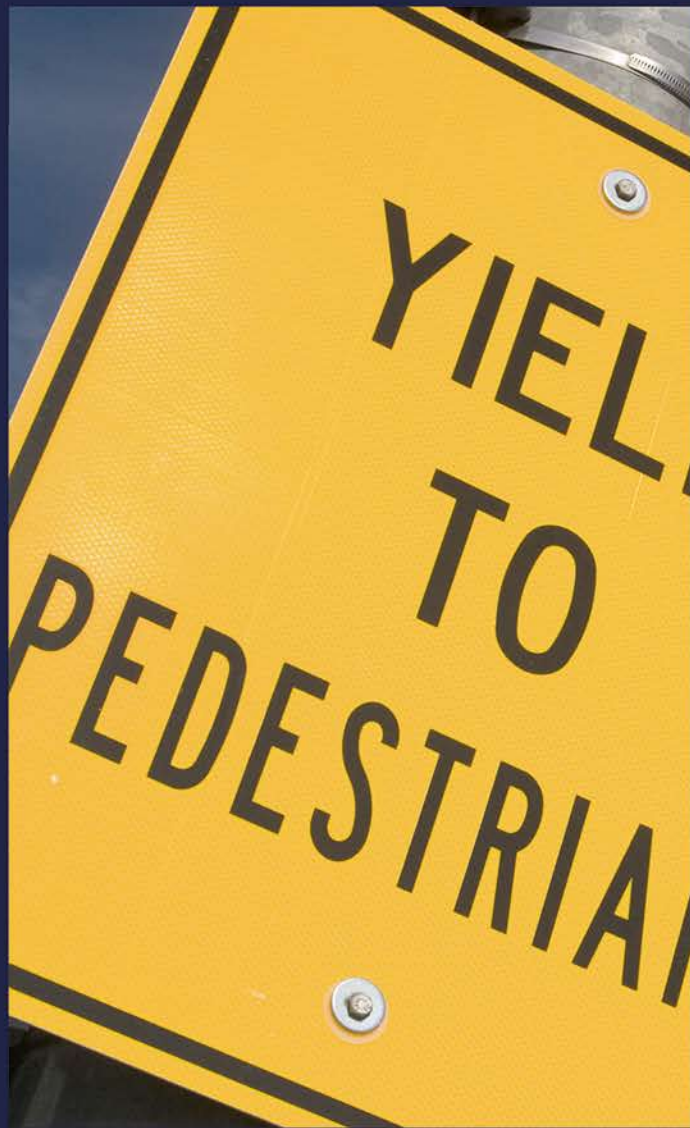
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What Pedestrians Should Know About Their Rights and Responsibilities



BE CONSPICUOUS

Motorists rarely look for people on foot. When they do see pedestrians, drivers often assume they will stay out of their way. Passive pedestrians who wave motorists on are part of the problem.

How to get the driver's attention to show that you are serious about crossing the street:

- Use an outstretched arm directed at the driver
- Use a whistle to get the driver's attention
- At night, wear light-colored clothing or carry a flashlight



CROSSWALKS WITHOUT TRAFFIC SIGNALS

- You have the right of way in crosswalks, as long as you enter the crosswalk safely. Before stepping into the street, get the attention of nearby drivers, and begin crossing only if they are far enough away to stop.
- When crossing multi-lane streets, get the attention of oncoming drivers in each lane before stepping into it.
- Cross directly from curb to curb, taking the shortest route possible.
- Whether or not they are marked by painted lines, crosswalks exist at all legs of four-corner intersections.
- When crossing mid-block where no crosswalks exist, you must yield to cars and bicycles.



CROSSING AT TRAFFIC SIGNALS

- If an intersection has a pedestrian push button, use it. The signal will come on and give you more time to cross only if you push the button.
- Wait until the "walk" symbol appears. You may have to wait for the left turn arrow to finish its cycle.
- A flashing red hand or "don't walk" signal means don't start. You may not enter the street, but if you have already begun you still have the right of way and should finish crossing.
- If no pedestrian signals exist, use the traffic signal to guide you through the intersection.
- Look ahead or over your shoulder for left-turning motorists, who are four times as hazardous to pedestrians as motorists going straight. Use a whistle and/or an outstretched arm to get them to stop.
- Use a whistle to get drivers waiting to turn right on red to look to their passenger side.



WALK FACING TRAFFIC

Walking in the roadway is legal, but you must yield to all vehicles. Walk facing traffic, so you can see oncoming cars and bicycles.

