



RECTANGULAR RAPID FLASHING BEACONS (RRFB)

RRFBs can enhance safety by increasing driver awareness of people who want to cross the street at a crosswalk. When installed at unsignalized crosswalks, the RRFBs have been shown to be more effective than standard signing and pavement markings alone. RRFBs are activated by pedestrians and bicyclists by manually pushing a button. Once the button is pushed, a highly visible flashing pattern, similar to flashers on emergency vehicles, alerts drivers that a person wants to cross the street.

Pedestrian Tips

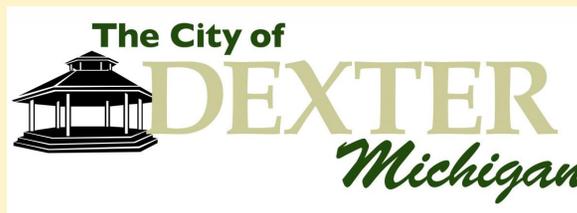
ALWAYS REMEMBER: STOP. LOOK LEFT, THEN RIGHT, AND LEFT AGAIN BEFORE CROSSING.

- ⇒ Push the button to turn on the RRFB.
- ⇒ Check for traffic before using crosswalk. Walk defensively and make eye contact with drivers to ensure that they see you. Never assume that you are seen or that a motorist will yield.
- ⇒ While crossing stay within the crosswalk and continue to check for traffic.
- ⇒ **Don't leave the curb or go into the path of a vehicle which is so close that the driver can't yield.**



How does a RFFB Work?

1. A pedestrian activates the RRFB by pressing the button.
2. The RRFB begins to flash to alert drivers that a pedestrian wants to cross the street in the crosswalk.
3. Flashing lights facing the pedestrian confirm the activation of the RRFB.
4. The RRFB flashes for a set time that allows a pedestrian adequate time to cross the street.
5. After the allocated time has passed for the pedestrians to complete their crossing, the RRFB turns off.



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Driver Tips

DRIVERS ARE REQUIRED TO YIELD TO PEDESTRIANS IN A CROSSWALK.

- ⇒ A driver must yield to pedestrians within a crosswalk when the pedestrian is in or near the same half of the street as the driver, even if the RRFB is not activated.
- ⇒ Be alert and reduce speed in areas with crosswalks.
- ⇒ Do not drive distracted, including talking or texting on your phone.
- ⇒ Yield, slow down or stop if necessary if a pedestrian is crossing within a crosswalk.
- ⇒ Do not pass another vehicle that is stopped at or slowing down for a crosswalk.
- ⇒ Refer to the Michigan Vehicle Code and the Uniform Traffic Code for legal responsibilities of the driver.