Roundabouts



A roundabout is a circular intersection without traffic signal equipment in which traffic flows around a center island.

Why Modern Roundabouts?

In Florida, over 44% of all traffic fatalities and serious injuries occur at conventional (stop & signal-controlled) intersections. Roundabouts have been proven to reduce the number of fatal and severe injury crashes

by 82% over a stop-controlled intersection, and 78% over a signalized intersection.

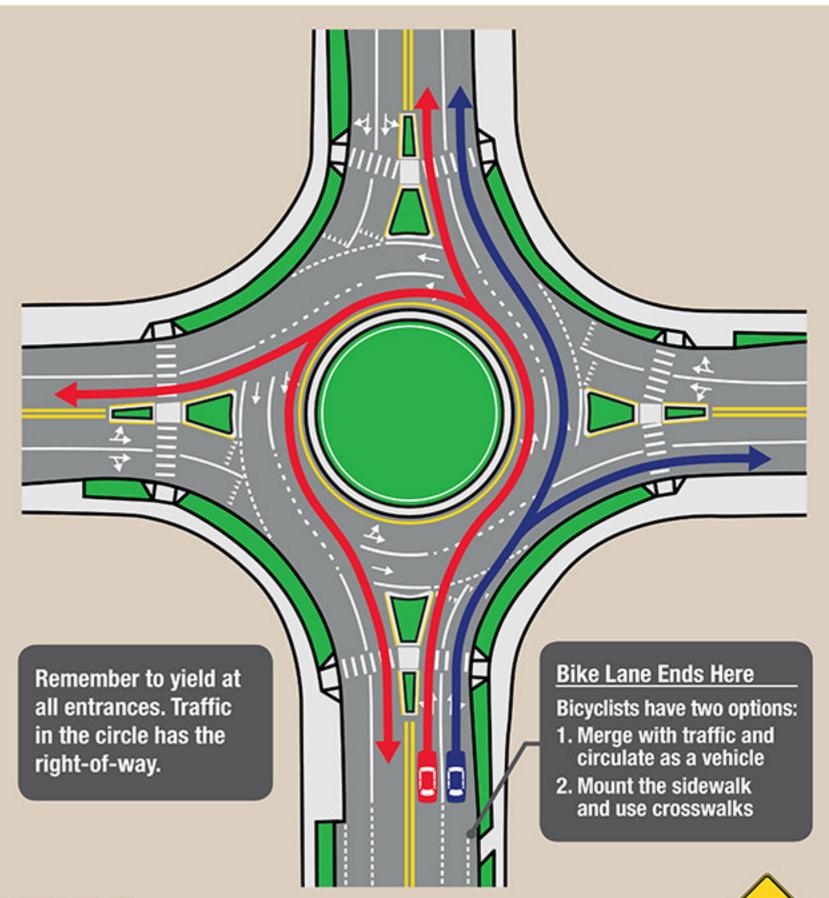
Conventional intersections have 32 vehicle and 16 pedestrian conflict points, while roundabouts have only 8 vehicle and 8 pedestrian conflict points.

Because there are no crossing movements in a roundabout, left-turn and right-angle crashes are eliminated.

Source: Federal Highway Administration

Navigating a Modern Roundabout:

- 1) Slow to 10-15 mph on approach to a roundabout
- 2) In multi-lane roundabouts, follow signs and markings to determine the lane(s) that will serve your destination
- 3) Yield right-of-way to bicyclists merging into the entry lane before the bike lane ends
- 4) Yield right-of-way to pedestrians crossing the entry lane
- 5) Yield right-of-way to motorists already in the circulatory roadway when it is safe to do so
- 6) Turn right onto the circulatory roadway when it is safe to do so
- 7) When you approach your destination street, use your right-turn signal and exit the roundabout
- 8) Yield right-of-way to pedestrians crossing the exit lane



Motorists

- Determine which way you want to go in advance of the roundabout
- Keep right at the splitter island and slow to 10-15 mph
- Watch for bicyclists and allow them to merge into the entry lane

USER TIPS

- Watch for pedestrians crossing the entry roadway and yield right-of-way
- Yield right-of-way to vehicles within the circulatory roadway
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- When you approach your street, use your right-turn signal and exit the roundabout
- Watch for pedestrians crossing the exit roadway and yield right-of-way

Pedestrians

- Stay on the walkways and cross at designated crosswalks
- Do not enter the central island
- Watch for motorists and bicyclists
- Cross to the splitter island and stop there if traffic requires

Bicyclists

- Merge with traffic on the entry lane or use the ramp to the sidewalk
- If riding with traffic, signal your intended path
- If using the sidewalks,
 yield right-of-way to
 pedestrians and walk your
 bicycle at crosswalks

Learn more:

https://www.alerttodayflorida.com/roundabout.html



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