

CANTON POLICE DEPARTMENT



PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

- **Don't wear headphones or talk on a cell phone while crossing.**
- Be safe and be seen! Wear bright colored clothing and reflective materials.
- Always carry a flashlight or other light source when walking at night.
- Cross the street in a well-lit area at dusk and into the evening.
- Stand clear of bushes, hedges, parked cars or other obstacles before crossing so drivers can see you.
- Always walk on the sidewalk. If there is no sidewalk, walk facing traffic.
- **Don't assume vehicles will stop! If a driver is on a cell phone, they're not paying attention. Make eye contact with drivers, don't just look at the vehicle.**
- Don't rely solely on pedestrian signals. Look before you cross!
- Be alert to backup sounds or lights on cars and trucks when in parking lots or near on-street parking.
- Look before you step into a crosswalk or intersection.
- Obey traffic signals such as Walk/Don't Walk signs and always look both ways before you cross.
- Watch for turning vehicles. Make sure the driver can see you clearly.
- Look across ALL lanes before you cross. Motorists coming from the opposite direction may not be prepared to stop.

AND IF YOU'RE DRIVING...

