What you need to know about new pedestrian crossovers

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Starting January 1, 2016, drivers (including cyclists) must stop and yield the whole roadway (all lanes) at both:

- Pedestrian crossovers; and
- School crossings controlled with a crossing guard.

Exception:
If a median island separates the roadway by direction, drivers must stop and yield the whole width (all lanes) in your direction of travel.

Drivers and cyclists may face a fine in the range of $150-$500 and drivers may also face three demerit points. Fines will be doubled in community safety zones.
Q. What signs should I expect to see with a level 2 pedestrian crossover?

A. Below are some examples of signs used with a level 2 pedestrian crossover.
Q. What does a level 2 pedestrian crossover look like?

A. A level 2 pedestrian crossover is defined by the use of regulatory and warning signs, and pavement markings.

What it can look like:
Q. Will the new level 2 pedestrian crossover apply at roundabouts?

A. Absolutely. Pedestrian crossings at roundabouts throughout the Waterloo Region will see existing signs replaced with the new level 2 pedestrian crossover signs.

- Pedestrians have the right-of-way wherever you see this sign
- Crosswalks at roundabouts are separated by a median island. Drivers therefore must wait until pedestrians have completely crossed all lanes in your direction.
WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Pedestrians:
• Make eye contact with drivers;
• Make sure drivers see you before you cross;
• Make sure drivers are prepared to stop for you in both directions where necessary;
• Once you are satisfied it is safe to cross, begin to cross; and
• Continue to watch drivers as you cross.

Drivers:
• Expect pedestrians;
• Slow down when you approach these signs and markings;
• You are not permitted to pass another vehicle at these crossings;
• If a pedestrian is present, bring your vehicle to a safe stop; and
• Let pedestrians cross - you must remain stopped for the entire duration they are on the road.