

# New pavement markings are being installed throughout Newton

## THIS IS WHAT THEY MEAN FOR YOU

### 1. BIKE LANE

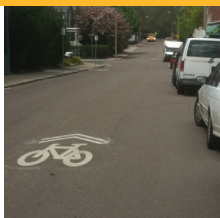


Exclusive lane for cyclists only. Drivers should stay clear when the line is solid. Okay to cross or turn when the line is dashed. Go slow, check for bicycles before turning across a lane; they have the right of way.

**\$100 fine for driving in bike lane.**

MGL c89 s4a

### 2. SHARED LANE/SHARROWS



Look carefully for cyclists, they are more likely to be using these roads. Do not honk; you could startle the cyclist and cause a collision. Cyclists may use the full lane when deemed necessary for safety.

MGL c85 s11b & c89 s2

### 3. COMBINED BIKE LANE/TURN LANE



Only enter when turning right and move as far right as possible to complete turn. Watch for bikes before entering lane and while turning.

### 4. CONTINENTAL CROSSWALK



According to national studies, continental crosswalks are more visible and recognizable than traditional parallel lines. Never pass a vehicle stopped at a crosswalk, and please wait until the pedestrian is one car lane away before proceeding.

**\$200 fine for failure to yield to pedestrian in crossing.**

MGL c89 s11

### 5. CROSSHATCH INTERSECTION



Crosshatching in the intersection means there is a high potential for conflict for all users.

Take special care to not **“block the box”**  
**\$150 fine for blocking an intersection with or without markings.**

MGL c89 s9

## 3 easy ways to reduce crashes



### 3 feet

Give a person on a bike plenty of space. Don't follow too closely and wait to pass until it's safe.

Do not block the bike lane.

MGL c89 s2 & c85 s11b

### 3 seconds

Pause and check your mirrors before opening your car door. A person on a bike might be coming; they can't always see you and it's the law.

MGL c90 s14



### 3 directions

Look carefully in all directions before you turn.

Always use your signals to indicate your intent.

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# LOOK OUT FOR BIKES AND PEDESTRIANS. WE'LL ALL BREATHE EASIER AND IT'S THE LAW!

This year, more bicyclists and pedestrians will be sharing the streets of Newton than ever before. That's good news for all of us! It means cleaner air and less traffic. Do your part to make Newton safer by staying alert and respecting other road users.



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