

# How to Drive a Roundabout

## Single-lane roundabout

- ▽ As you approach roundabout, slow vehicle to the posted advisory speed.
- ▽ Yield to any pedestrians in the crosswalk.
- ▽ Look to your left. If there are circulating vehicles, yield to them. They have the right-of-way. If there are no vehicles, do not stop.
- ▽ Once inside the roundabout, circulate counterclockwise around the central island to your desired exit.
- ▽ After passing the exit prior to your desired exit, turn on your right-turn signal to indicate to other drivers your intentions to exit.
- ▽ After exiting at your desired exit, watch for and yield to pedestrians in the crosswalk.

## Multi-lane roundabout

The primary difference between a single-lane and a multi-lane roundabout will be choosing which lane to use prior to arriving at the roundabout. Signs and pavement markings are provided on multi-lane entries to show drivers which movements are allowed from each lane. Once inside a multi-lane roundabout, do not change lanes. Stay in your lane through the roundabout and out your desired exit. Here are the steps for traversing a multi-lane roundabout:

- ▽ As you approach roundabout, slow vehicle to the posted advisory speed.
- ▽ Use signs and pavement markings prior to the roundabout to choose the appropriate lane to be in.
- ▽ Yield to any pedestrians in the crosswalk.
- ▽ Look to your left. If there are circulating vehicles, yield to them. They have the right-of-way. If there are no vehicles, do not stop.
- ▽ Once inside the roundabout, circulate counterclockwise around the central island to your desired exit. Do not change lanes inside the roundabout. If you enter the roundabout from the inside lane, circulate and exit into the inside lane. Likewise, if you enter the roundabout from the outside lane, circulate and exit into the outside lane.
- ▽ After passing the exit prior to your desired exit, turn on your right-turn signal to indicate to other drivers your intentions to exit.
- ▽ Always be aware of other circulating vehicles, and do not pass inside the roundabout.
- ▽ After exiting at your desired exit, watch for and yield to pedestrians in the crosswalk.

## **What to do if you encounter an emergency vehicle at a roundabout**

When reacting to an emergency vehicle with lights and/or a siren on, a roundabout should be treated similarly to a traditional intersection. The main point to remember is never to stop IN the roundabout.

- ▼ *If you have not already entered the roundabout:* The best thing to do is pull over to the right side of the road and yield the right of way to the emergency vehicle (allow it to pass). If there appears to be insufficient road width for the emergency vehicle to pass you at the entry to the roundabout, quickly proceed through the roundabout to your desired exit, exit the roundabout, and pull over to the right side of the road to allow the emergency vehicle to pass.
- ▼ *If you have already entered the roundabout:* Proceed to your exit, exit the roundabout, and pull over to the right side of the road to allow the emergency vehicle to pass.