



Roundabouts

Multi-lane roundabouts will be constructed at the Hwy 22 intersections with Madison Avenue and Adams Street.

Why We Use Roundabouts

Roundabouts are often used in new or remodeled intersections to lower the incidence of crashes. Benefits of roundabouts include:



Better safety - Roundabouts show a 39 percent decrease in all crashes and an 89 percent decrease in fatal crashes.

Better traffic flow - Roundabouts can handle high levels of traffic with less delay than most stop signs or signals. The tight curves slow traffic so entering and exiting are easier and more efficient.

Better fuel efficiency and air quality - Where roundabouts replace signals, idling decreases which reduces vehicle emissions and fuel consumption by 30 percent or more.

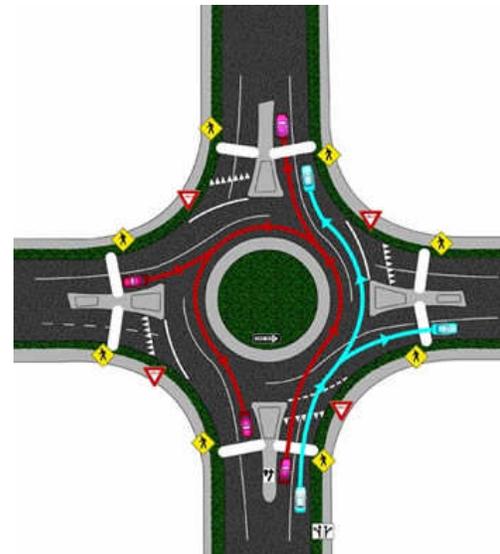
How to Use Roundabouts

Motorists

- When approaching a roundabout, slow down and get into the appropriate lane.
- Yield to pedestrians in the crosswalk. They have the right of way.
- When entering a roundabout, yield to vehicles already in the circle. Merge into the traffic flow when it is safe.
- Continue through the roundabout until you reach your exit. Do not stop or pass in a roundabout.
- If an emergency vehicle approaches, exit immediately and then pull over and stop. Do not stop in the roundabout.
- When exiting the roundabout, signal your turn and yield to pedestrians in the crosswalk. (Minnesota Driver's Manual Chapter, Chapter 3, page 26)

Cyclists

- Cyclists can either ride with traffic inside the roundabout or use the crosswalks appropriately.
- Cyclists who ride with traffic must follow the same rules as vehicles and must yield as they enter the roundabout. Since traffic moves slowly in the circle, cyclists should be able to travel at or near the same speed as motorists, staying in line with circulating traffic.



Pedestrians

- Cross only at crosswalks, and always stay on the designated walkways. Never cross to the central island.
- Cross the roadways one direction at a time. Use the median island as a halfway point where you can check for approaching traffic.

For more information on roundabouts, visit: www.dot.state.mn.us/roundabouts/index.html

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