

THE GREEN CROSS CODE

The Green Cross Code is a guide for everyone showing you how to cross the road safely.

1. **Think First:** Find the safest place to cross then stop.

If possible cross the road at: subways, footbridges, islands, Zebra, Pelican and traffic light crossings, or where there is a police officer, school crossing patrol or traffic warden.

If you can't find any good crossing places like these, choose a place where you can see clearly along the roads in all directions, and where drivers can see you. Never cross on sharp bends or just before the top of a hill.

2. **Stop:** Stand on the pavement near the kerb.

Give yourself lots of time to have a good look all round.

Stand a little way back from the kerb – where you will be away from traffic, but where you can still see if anything is coming. If there is no pavement, stand back from the edge of the road but where you can still see traffic coming.

3. **Use Your Eyes And Ears:** Look all around for traffic, and listen.

Look in every direction. Listen carefully; because you can sometimes hear traffic before you can see it.

4. **Wait Until It's Safe To Cross:** If traffic is coming, let it pass.

Do not cross unless there is a safe gap and you are sure there is plenty of time. If you are not sure, don't cross.

5. **Look And Listen:** When it's safe, walk straight across the road. Always walk across, never run.

6. **Arrive Alive:** Keep looking and listening for traffic while you cross.