



PEDESTRIAN HYBRID BEACONS (PHB OR HAWK)

	DRIVERS		PEDESTRIANS	
	Will See...	Will Do...	Will See...	Will Do...
1		Proceed with caution		Push the button to activate system
2	 FLASHING	Slow Down Pedestrian has activated the system		Wait
3		Prepare to stop		Continue to wait
4		STOP Pedestrian in crosswalk		Start crossing when vehicles stopped
5	 FLASHING 	STOP Proceed with caution if clear		Continue crossing signal will count down
6		Proceed if clear		Push the button to activate system



Austin Police Department

Pedestrian Enforcement Safety Team (PEST)



In 2011, Austin experienced an alarming increase in the number of Pedestrians killed in car crashes. This trend has continued into 2012 with 19 Pedestrians losing their lives as of June 26. Every one of these crashes are preventable and our goal is to avoid further deaths by utilizing a three-pronged strategy that includes: Education, Engineering and Enforcement.

WHAT PEDESTRIANS MUST KNOW

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION CODE

Sec. 552.001. TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS.

- (a) A traffic control signal displaying green, red, and yellow lights or lighted arrows applies to a pedestrian as provided by this section unless the pedestrian is otherwise directed by a special pedestrian control signal.
- (b) A pedestrian facing a green signal may proceed across a roadway within a marked or unmarked crosswalk unless the sole green signal is a turn arrow.
- (c) A pedestrian facing a steady red signal alone or a steady yellow signal may not enter a roadway.

Sec. 552.005. CROSSING AT POINT OTHER THAN CROSSWALK.

- (a) A pedestrian shall yield the right-of-way to a vehicle on the highway if crossing a roadway at a place:
 - (1) other than in a marked crosswalk or in an unmarked crosswalk at an intersection; or
 - (2) where a pedestrian tunnel or overhead pedestrian crossing has been provided.
- (b) Between adjacent intersections at which traffic control signals are in operation, a pedestrian may cross only in a marked crosswalk.
- (c) A pedestrian may cross a roadway intersection diagonally only if and in the manner authorized by a traffic control device.

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§ 12-1-26 PEDESTRIANS ON CERTAIN ROADWAYS.

- (A) A pedestrian may not stand in a roadway to:
 - (1) Solicit a ride from the driver of a vehicle; or
 - (2) Linger, loiter, or remain on a roadway for any purpose.
- (B) A pedestrian may not cross the following roadways except on an overpass or underpass that crosses the roadway:
 - (1) IH-35;
 - (2) Loop 1 (MoPac Expressway);
 - (3) U.S. Highway 290 (East) from IH-35 to the east city limits; or
 - (4) U.S. Highway 183 (Ed Bluestein Boulevard) from U.S. Highway 290 (East) to Farm Road 969 (Webberville Road).