

## **How to Be Street Safe**

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Do you want to be street safe? In 2014, 9,967 people were killed in drunk driving crashes. Everyone should be street safe. People that are not street safe are most likely to end up in hospitals. One way to be street safe is that you need to follow some rules. The rules that are going to be discussed are called “The Rules of the Street.” The two rules discussed are about driving and walking.

The first rule is to make eye contact with the driver while walking. This is important because it is never known if a driver is drunk. Always look left, right before you cross the street. Also, it is important to walk on the sidewalk because a car can hurt you. In addition, you should never walk at night with dark clothes. The driver might not see you. When you walk at night, you need to wear bright clothes because when a car is coming, the light from the car reflects off the clothes.

Furthermore, drivers can also help being safe by following the speed limit. If drivers are speeding, they can be caught by the police, or more tragically, run someone over. The faster a driver goes, the longer it takes to stop. Therefore, drivers should always drive at the speed limit. Another key point is drivers should not text while driving. According to [howtobestreetssafe.com](http://howtobestreetssafe.com), a young lady was texting while driving and hit another car. The car went spinning and hit an electric post. Fortunately, no one was hurt. Also, drivers should stop at the red light because a person may be crossing the street and could be accidentally run over.

Now you know some of the rules of the street. If you remember to follow these rules and respect them, you can keep yourself safe and other people safe as well. If you see your friends or parents not following the street rules, you should correct them in order to help keep your community be safe.