



# Safe Mobility at Intersections



Push the Button to  
Get a Walk Signal



## What are countdown pedestrian signals?

Countdown pedestrian signals are pedestrian signals with an additional display showing the number of seconds remaining to cross the street. Designed to enhance the safety of pedestrians in the crosswalk, the “countdown” feature enables pedestrians to stop in the median (or pedestrian refuge island) if they do not feel there is enough time remaining to complete their cross safely.

## Where are they being used?

Pedestrian signals are used by the Florida Department of Transportation and local agencies at signalized intersections.

## How do they work?



Just like other pedestrian signals, this signal can be activated by pushing the button.

However, some signals are automated. If there’s no button to push, simply wait and let the signal do the work for you.

When the pedestrian is clear to cross the street, the walk symbol will appear.

When it is no longer safe to enter the crosswalk, a red “hand” will appear and the countdown will begin.

This displays the number of seconds remaining for pedestrians that are already in the crosswalk to finish crossing the street.

## What are the benefits?

- Simple to use
- Provides positive guidance to pedestrians in crosswalks
- Deters pedestrians from entering the crosswalk near the end of the phase
- Helps pedestrians determine if they have time to complete the cross or if they should stop in the median (or pedestrian refuge island)