

Walking Audit Checklist: Intersections and mid block crossings

Location: Intersection of _____ & _____ Mid block crossing of: _____

Time of Day: _____ AM/PM Number of lanes: _____ Multiple left/right turn lanes: YES/NO

I am: 0-12 years old | 13-19 | 20-50 | 51 – 70 | 71+ Mobility: excellent | average | use a wheelchair or walking aide

I am Visually Impaired: Yes | No I am Hearing Impaired: Yes | No

Traffic Signals and Intersection Geometry

1. Are there pedestrian signals? No | Standard | Countdown | Signal does not work.
2. How long do you have to wait before a WALK signal? _____ seconds.
3. That is: Too long to wait | The right amount of time
4. Is there a PUSH TO CROSS button at the signal? No | No, but WALK starts automatically | Yes, but it does not work or is in poor condition | Yes
5. Is enough time allowed to cross safely? No, I felt rushed | Yes, but a person walking slowly would have difficulty | Yes, everyone should have plenty of time.
6. Length of Walk cycle: _____ seconds.
7. For large intersections: Is there a median to allow a slow moving person to cross in stages?
No | Yes, but it feels unsafe | Yes, a median with a good pedestrian refuge.

Comments: _____

Driver Behavior

1. Do drivers have a good view of pedestrians waiting to cross?
Yes | No, utility boxes, poles, or vegetation obstructs their view.
2. Did you experience problems with left or right turning traffic while crossing?
No | Left turning traffic was traveling too fast or wasn't looking for pedestrians | Right turning traffic was traveling too fast or wasn't looking for pedestrians.
3. Do drivers obey the traffic signals? Yes | Most | Few
4. Do drivers obey the speed limit? Yes | Most | Few
5. Does the intersection have stop bars so drivers do not encroach into the crosswalk? Yes | Yes, needs to be repainted | No
6. Are there any Red Light Cameras at the intersection? Yes | No
7. How many legs of the intersection are signed for No Turn on Red? _____

Comments: _____

Crosswalks and Access

1. Are there crosswalks at this intersection? Yes | Yes, but not at all crossings | No
2. Are the crosswalks visible? Yes, lines are bright and visible | No, lines need to be repainted | There are no lines
3. Crosswalk style: Two lines | Large blocks | Ladder-style | Other
4. Are the crosswalks wide enough? Yes | No
5. Is the pavement in good condition? Yes, it is smooth | No, there are some tripping hazards for wheelchairs, walkers, and strollers | The pavement is dangerous.
6. Are there curb ramps? No | One per corner | Two per corner.
7. Are the curb ramps in good condition? Yes | No
8. If the intersection is under construction: N/A | A good path is provided for pedestrians | A poor path is provided for pedestrians.

Comments: _____

User Experience

1. Did you feel comfortable crossing at this intersection?
Yes | No | Comments _____
2. Would you allow an unescorted child to cross here?
Yes | No | Comments _____
3. Would you be comfortable with a senior citizen or a person who is mobility-impaired crossing here?
Yes | No | Comments _____
4. What destinations are nearby that would attract pedestrians?
School | Shopping | Library | Transit | Recreational Trail | Healthcare | Other _____
5. Are other pedestrians present? Yes | No |
Why not? _____
6. Can you see debris on the roadway from car crashes? Yes | No
7. Cleanliness of the area around the intersection:
Very clean | Somewhat clean with visible litter | Unclean: there is no pride of place.

Walking Audit Checklist: Sidewalks and Streets

Date _____ Time of day _____ Lighting conditions: Sunny | Rainy | Dawn/Dusk | Dark You are: Male | Female
Name of street and walking area studied _____ Length of study area _____ blocks or from _____ to _____
Neighborhood type: urban | suburban | small town | rural
Description: residential | commercial | industrial | mixed use | suburban office park/big box retail/shopping node

Walking Space and Safety

1. Is there a sidewalk? Yes | No
2. If you answered 'No' where are people walking?
Street | Grass | Parking lots
3. Is the sidewalk continuous? Yes | No
4. Is there a sidewalk on both sides of the street? Yes | No
5. Estimate the sidewalk width _____ feet
6. Is this wide enough? Yes | No
7. Condition of sidewalk: Smooth | uneven, but alright for walking | heaved with tripping hazards | bare ground
8. Is the surface ok for a person in a wheelchair, with a walker, or pushing a stroller? Yes | No
9. Sidewalk obstructions: Sidewalk is clear | overgrown trees/vegetation | construction | vehicles parked on the sidewalk | utility poles | restaurant furniture | newspaper boxes | other _____
10. Driveways and alleys: None | Few cross the sidewalk | Frequent
11. Are drivers aware of pedestrians when entering/exiting driveways?
No | Few | Yes, they are courteous
12. Do you notice other pedestrians? None | Few | Many

User Comfort and Security

1. How far away is traffic? The sidewalk is next to the road | there is some separation | the sidewalk is far from traffic
2. How are pedestrians separated from traffic? Street parking | bike lanes | grass and trees | a shoulder on the street
3. Noise level: Low, conversation is easy | Tolerable, conversation is difficult | Too noisy to talk to another person
4. Are there places to sit? No | Few | Many
5. Is the sidewalk shaded? Yes | No | Does not apply
6. Is the sidewalk lighted? Yes, fully | Yes, partially | No, only the street is lit | No, there is no lighting

7. What personal safety concerns do you have in this area? People are loitering | evidence of illicit behavior | vacant properties | seedy businesses | stray or vicious dogs | Comments _____
8. I would allow an unescorted child to walk in this neighborhood? Yes | No
Comments _____

Destinations and Connectivity

1. How frequent are crosswalks? Close, < 1 minute walk | Nearby, < 2 minute walk | Far
2. Are there midblock crossings? None | Yes, with a marked crosswalk/curb extensions/in street warning signs/drivers yield
3. Is bicycle parking provided? No | Infrequent/unsecure/low quality | Yes, high quality
4. Are there transit stops? No | Hard to find/infrequent/no shelters/no benches | Yes, high quality
5. Wayfinding? None | Information Kiosks/Maps
6. Is this a walkable neighborhood? Yes | No
Comments _____

Aesthetics

1. Cleanliness: Area is clean and well maintained | some trash/graffiti, but generally clean | area is neglected, lots of trash/graffiti | area has been abandoned
2. Maintenance of properties: All/most buildings are well maintained | a few neglected properties | most properties are neglected
3. Buildings are mostly: Next to the sidewalk | fronted by parking lots /setback far front the street
4. Green space and nature: none | some green/parks nearby | lots of green
5. Visual texture and character: boring | looks like everywhere else | I saw something new | I saw many interesting things
6. Would you walk here again? Yes | No | Comments _____