

Washington County Roundabout U

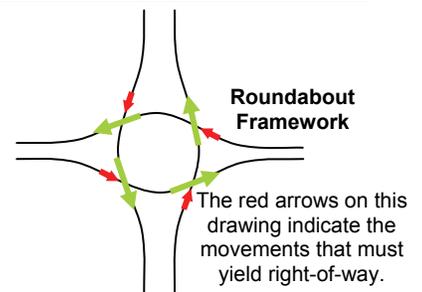
Roundabout Characteristics



Lane Use Signs

This sign means:

- The right lane may be used to make a right turn (1st exit) or go straight thru (2nd exit) only.
- The left lane may be used only to reach go straight thru or to make a left turn.
- **Do not** use the right lane to make a left turn. Doing so is unlawful and could cause a crash. Left turns and U-turns must always keep to the left.



Feature	Description
Central Island	All traffic flows counter-clockwise around the central island. Never walk to the central island.
Splitter Island	A splitter island is a raised or painted area used to separate entering from exiting traffic, deflect and slow entering traffic, and provide a refuge for pedestrians crossing the road.
Truck Apron	The central island may be surrounded by a concrete apron, which accommodates the wheel tracking of large trucks. The truck apron is not to be used by cars or pedestrians.
Yield Signs	Entering traffic must yield to all traffic. Wait until all traffic is clear, including left lane cross traffic, before entering. Exiting traffic has the right of way over entering traffic.
Yield Line	A pavement marking is used to mark the point of entry to the roundabout. Wait here for a safe gap.
Pedestrian Crosswalk	Crossings are set back from the yield line, and the splitter island is cut to allow pedestrians, wheelchairs, strollers, and bicycles to pass through. As with any marked crosswalk, stop for pedestrians within the roadway until they have cleared your lane. Watch for crosswalks and pedestrians when entering and exiting a roundabout.
Lane Use Signs and Markings	Lane use signs and markings indicate which movements can be made from each lane. The proper lane must be chosen before entering, just like at a standard intersection. As with a standard intersection, various lane use combinations are possible, but left turns always keep to the left.
Spiral Striping	Unlike a traffic circle, the outside lane of a multi-lane roundabout is typically required to exit. Always choose the proper lane for your intended path before entering based on the lane use signs and markings. Do not change lanes within the intersection.