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Walk Smart

Out of all the deaths that occurred on Delaware roadways in 2011, 1 out of every 5 was a pedestrian. And for every pedestrian killed, 15 more were injured. Most of the incidents occurred at night, and most often the driver was not at fault.

Here are some things that you can do to be safe while you are walking:

- Cross only at crosswalks and intersections
- Do not step into a crosswalk in the path of a vehicle that appears to still be moving quickly, even though you may have the right of way.
- Use sidewalks. If there isn't a sidewalk, walk facing traffic and as far off the edge of the road as possible.
- Carry a flashlight or other reflective item at night.
- Do not walk while under the influence of alcohol or drugs. It's against the law. If you need to get home, you're safer catching a cab, bus or a ride from a friend.
- Never hitchhike
- Remember the age old instructions of looking left, right, then left again. This good advice still holds true today!

Walk Smart. Arrive Alive DE.