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### **Don't Join the Walking Dead**

Walking safely is really just about using your brain. When people walk around mindlessly, they get hurt or killed. Out of all the deaths that occur on Delaware roadways, 1 in 4 is a pedestrian death. And for every pedestrian killed, 12 more are injured.

Here are some things you can do to avoid joining the walking dead:

- Do not walk under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- Cross only at crosswalks or intersections with signals or traffic signs.
- Do not step into a crosswalk if it will create a hazard to motorists, even though you have the right of way.
- Use sidewalks. If there isn't a sidewalk, walk facing traffic as far off the edge of the road as possible.
- Carry a flashlight or other reflective item when walking at night.
- Do not hitchhike.

To learn more about pedestrian safety, visit [www.ohs.delaware.gov/pedestriansafety](http://www.ohs.delaware.gov/pedestriansafety).