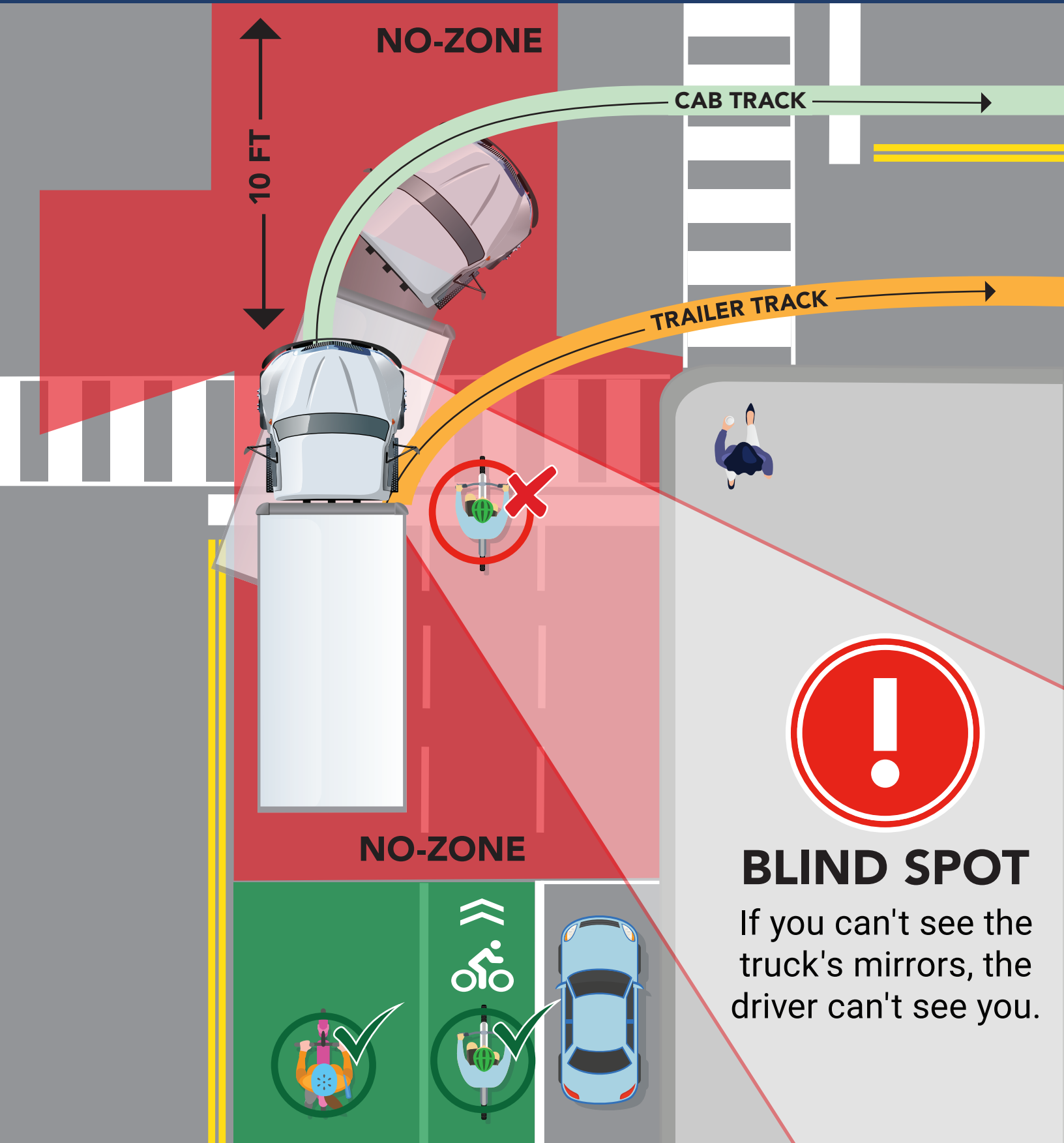


# BE AWARE OF BLIND SPOTS

## Stay out of the No-Zones.

No-Zones are dangerous areas around trucks where crashes are more likely to occur.



# SAFETY TIPS AROUND LARGE TRUCKS



## BIKE AND SCOOTER RIDERS

- **Don't stay on the right side of a truck.** You're likely in the driver's blind spot, and the truck could be turning right or moving to the curb. Never assume truck drivers can see you.
- **Keep your distance when trucks are turning.** Sometimes trucks swing out to make wide turns. Wait for the truck to turn before advancing or passing on the left.
- **Don't linger next to a truck on any side, in any lane.** If a truck attempts to pass, slow down and let it get ahead of you.



## PEDESTRIANS

- **Watch for turning trucks and be aware of blind spots.** Truck blind spots are alongside the cab and body and up to 10 feet directly in front, so drivers might not see you near their vehicles.
- **Avoid stepping out in front of a truck.** It takes longer for a large vehicle to stop.



## TRUCK DRIVERS

- **Slow down.** The default speed limit in DC is 20 mph unless otherwise posted, so slow down and follow the speed limit.
- **Yield to people riding and walking.** Be alert, especially when turning or changing lanes.
- **Check your mirrors.** Check your mirrors often, especially after passing people riding or walking, or before making a turn or lane change.
- **Use your turn signals early.** By using your signal early, you'll give people riding or walking the option to back away from the side of your vehicle.
- **Take care when passing.** Give people riding or walking plenty of space when passing. Change lanes if possible. If there is not enough room to pass, wait.
- **Provide a safe distance.** Bicycles and scooters are impacted by road conditions not felt by vehicles. Allow plenty of room between you and bike or scooter riders in case they swerve to miss a pothole, storm drain, or debris.
- **Be considerate of your horn.** Your horns are much louder for people outside of vehicles and can startle other people on the street, so please be polite.