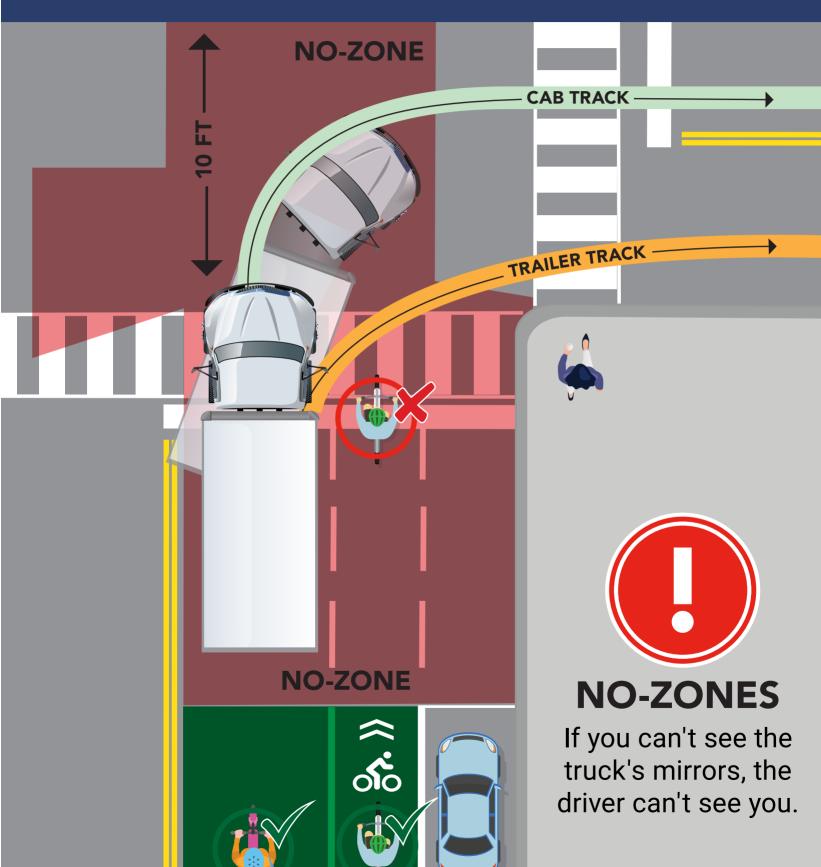
BE AWARE OF BLIND SPOTS

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.

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.





