



RECTANGULAR RAPID FLASHING BEACONS (RRFB)

HELPING PEDESTRIANS CROSS SAFELY!



KNOXVILLE AVENUE IN PEORIA



ADAMS AND GREEN STREET IN PEORIA



ILLINOIS 8 IN WASHINGTON

WHAT IS IT?

An **RRFB** is a traffic control device at a crosswalk that uses flashing yellow lights to warn motorists of pedestrians or bicyclists waiting to use or already using the crosswalk.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

The RRFB has a push button that the pedestrian uses, which activates the warning lights. The lights visually notify motorists of activity in the crosswalk. The pedestrian proceeds carefully into the crosswalk as vehicles stop at the designated location.

WHY DO WE USE IT?

The RRFB increases driver awareness of an approaching crosswalk and helps keep pedestrians safe. The lights and signs alert motorists that a pedestrian is using the crosswalk.



ILLINOIS LAW REQUIRES MOTORISTS TO STOP FOR PEDESTRIANS IN CROSSWALKS.



RRFBs INCREASE THE RATE OF DRIVERS STOPPING AT CROSSWALKS. THEIR FLASHING LIGHTS HELP BRING DRIVER AWARENESS TO PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS.



HOW TO USE AN RRFB

PEDESTRIANS AND BICYCLISTS USING THE CROSSWALK:

- Press the button on the RRFB to activate the flashing lights.
- Look to see that motorists are yielding before proceeding.
- After ensuring vehicles have yielded, cross the street while staying within the bounds of the crosswalk.
- Bicyclists should get off their bicycles and walk across the crosswalk.

MOTORISTS AND BICYCLISTS IN THE TRAVEL LANE:

- Begin yielding when approaching an activated RRFB.
- Do not pass another vehicle that has stopped or is slowing down at a crosswalk.
- Come to a complete stop before reaching the crosswalk.
- Remain stopped for pedestrians or bicyclists that are within the crosswalk until they are fully out of the crosswalk.
- After the crosswalk is clear, resume travel.
- Bicyclists: When riding in the travel lane, ride in the direction of traffic, obey all traffic laws and yield to pedestrians.

ALWAYS STOP FOR PEDESTRIANS AND BICYCLISTS IN A CROSSWALK. IF THE LIGHTS ARE FLASHING, THE RRFB IS ACTIVATED, AND VEHICLES SHOULD YIELD TO THOSE ENTERING THE CROSSWALK.

