

WHO HAS THE RIGHT-OF-WAY?

In this fast-paced, multi-tasking, time-crunched environment, it is not uncommon to try to shave a few minutes off of your trip to your next pickup, drop-off, sporting event or appointment. But just put down the phone, take a deep breath and remember courtesy and the rules of the road.

Wyckoff Police Chief Benjamin Fox reminds drivers about safe driving techniques. First and foremost always buckle up before beginning your trip. Be aware of the weather, road and traffic conditions as well as other drivers. In other words, be cognizant of what you are doing. Slow down when approaching an intersection, hilltop or curve in the road. Allow a pedestrian to cross the road. Yield to other drivers trying to make a turn or merge into a lane.

Here are some frequently asked questions about driving:

Q. *Who has the Right-of-Way at an intersection?*

A. When simultaneously approaching an intersection that does not have a traffic signal or a stop sign, the driver on the right has the Right-of-Way. Always yield to any driver at or in the intersection.

Q. *Are you required to yield to pedestrians?*

A. You must yield to pedestrians in a crosswalk or at an intersection.

Q. *When making a left, are you required to yield?*

A. A driver in the intersection intending to make a left turn must yield to vehicles approaching from the opposite direction that are close enough to constitute a hazard.

Remember the Right-of-Way is yours to give, but not yours to take.