

Press Release

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CITY OF WATERTOWN ROUNDABOUT CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Paving of Watertown's roundabout is expected to be complete and open to traffic by the weekend of July 25-26, 2015. Since driving through a roundabout is different from driving through a standard intersection, the public is asked to remember a few simple rules:

Vehicles

- Slow down and keep to the right as you approach the roundabout
- Yield to pedestrians in the crosswalk
- Yield to traffic on your left already in the roundabout
- Enter the roundabout when there is a safe gap in traffic
- Traffic moves in a counterclockwise direction
- Do not stop in the roundabout
- Yield to pedestrians in the crosswalk as you exit

If you encounter Emergency Vehicles

- If you have not entered the roundabout, pull over and allow emergency vehicles to pass
- If you have entered the roundabout, continue to your exit, then pull over and allow emergency vehicles to pass
- Avoid stopping in the roundabout

Trucks

- Both the truck and the trailer will need to use the truck apron to navigate the roundabout
- Trucks with 53 foot trailers should have no problem fitting through the roundabout
- Trucks with trailers longer than 53 feet may have problems fitting through the roundabout and should avoid this intersection

Pedestrians

- Use designated crosswalk areas only
- Cross to the median island when safe

- Wait in the median island to cross other lane of traffic when safe
- Never cross to the center island

Bicyclists

- Can proceed as a vehicle or pedestrian, whichever is more comfortable
- Walk your bicycle through the crosswalks if you are proceeding as a pedestrian

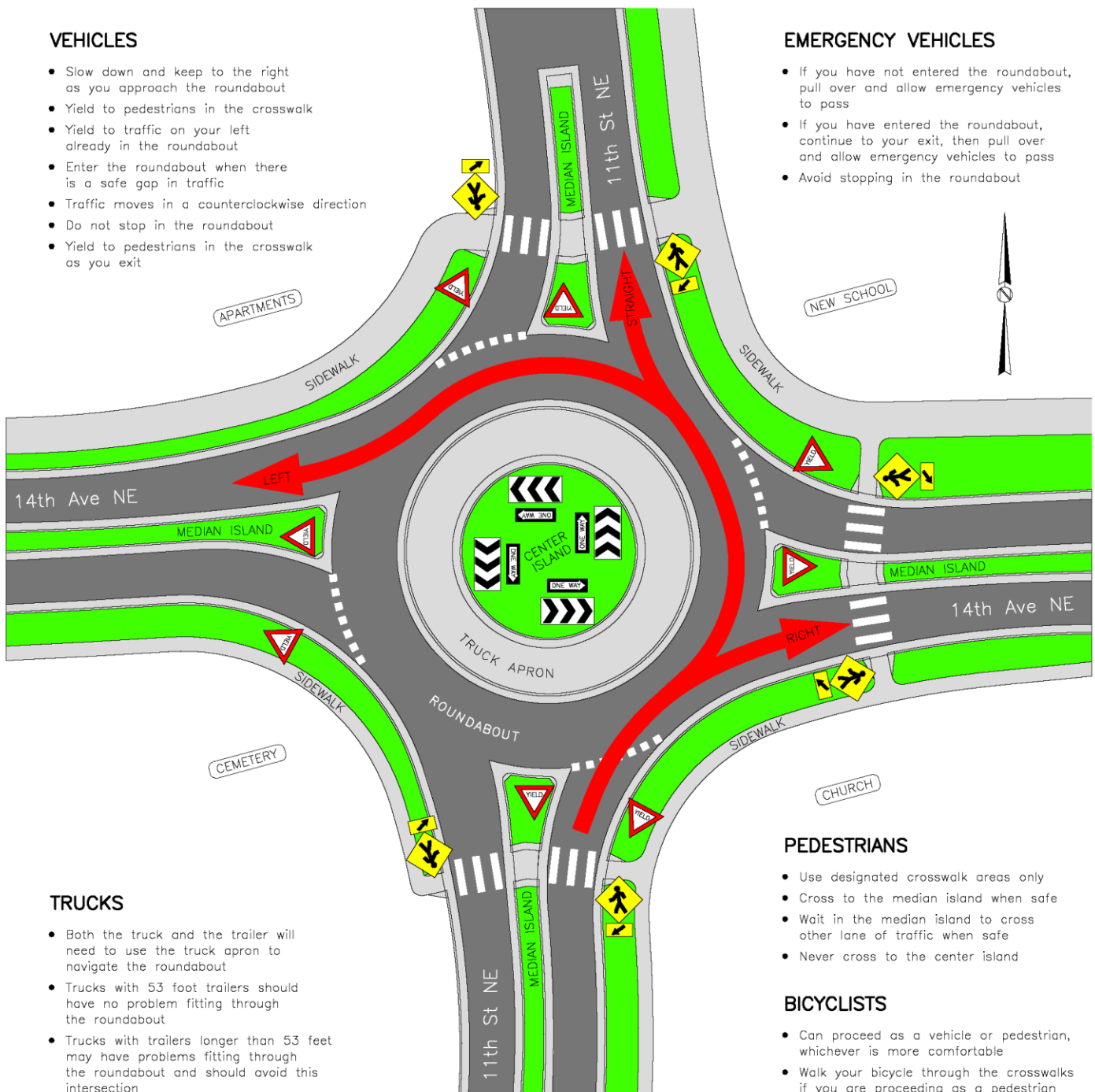
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