Street Smarts
City of Santa Rosa

Be Careful
Look both ways before you cross. Watch cars while crossing especially those making a turn.

Make Visual Contact
Always use the crosswalk if there is one. But don’t assume that drivers will stop for you. Make visual contact with drivers to be sure they have seen you. Look before and while you cross.

Keep Your Eyes on the Road
Be extra cautious on wide streets where traffic moves faster. Watch for turning vehicles.

Use Sidewalks
Use sidewalks where provided. If there are no sidewalks, walk against traffic so that you can see oncoming vehicles.

Crosswalk Rules
1. The walk signal does not mean it is safe to step into the street. It simply means that it is your turn to cross. Be sure that drivers have seen you and they are stopping before you begin to cross the street.
2. If the red hand is flashing, don’t start crossing. If you have already begun to cross, finish crossing quickly.
3. When the red hand is a steady red, do not cross.

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