



Emergency vehicles in the roundabout....

1. **Always yield** to emergency vehicles.
2. If you have **not** entered the roundabout, pull over and allow emergency vehicles to pass.
3. If you have entered the roundabout, continue through your exit and pull over to the right to allow emergency vehicles to pass.
4. **Avoid stopping** in the roundabout.

General Guidance for Bicyclists:

- Be seen
- Be aware
- Ride in the middle of the travel lane
- Rules that apply to cars apply to you

Benefits of a roundabout:

- Decrease of serious crashes
- Decrease of crashes involving pedestrians
- Fewer traffic delays
- Lower fuel consumption
- Reduced air pollution
- Can handle more vehicles
- More attractive intersection

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Getting Around

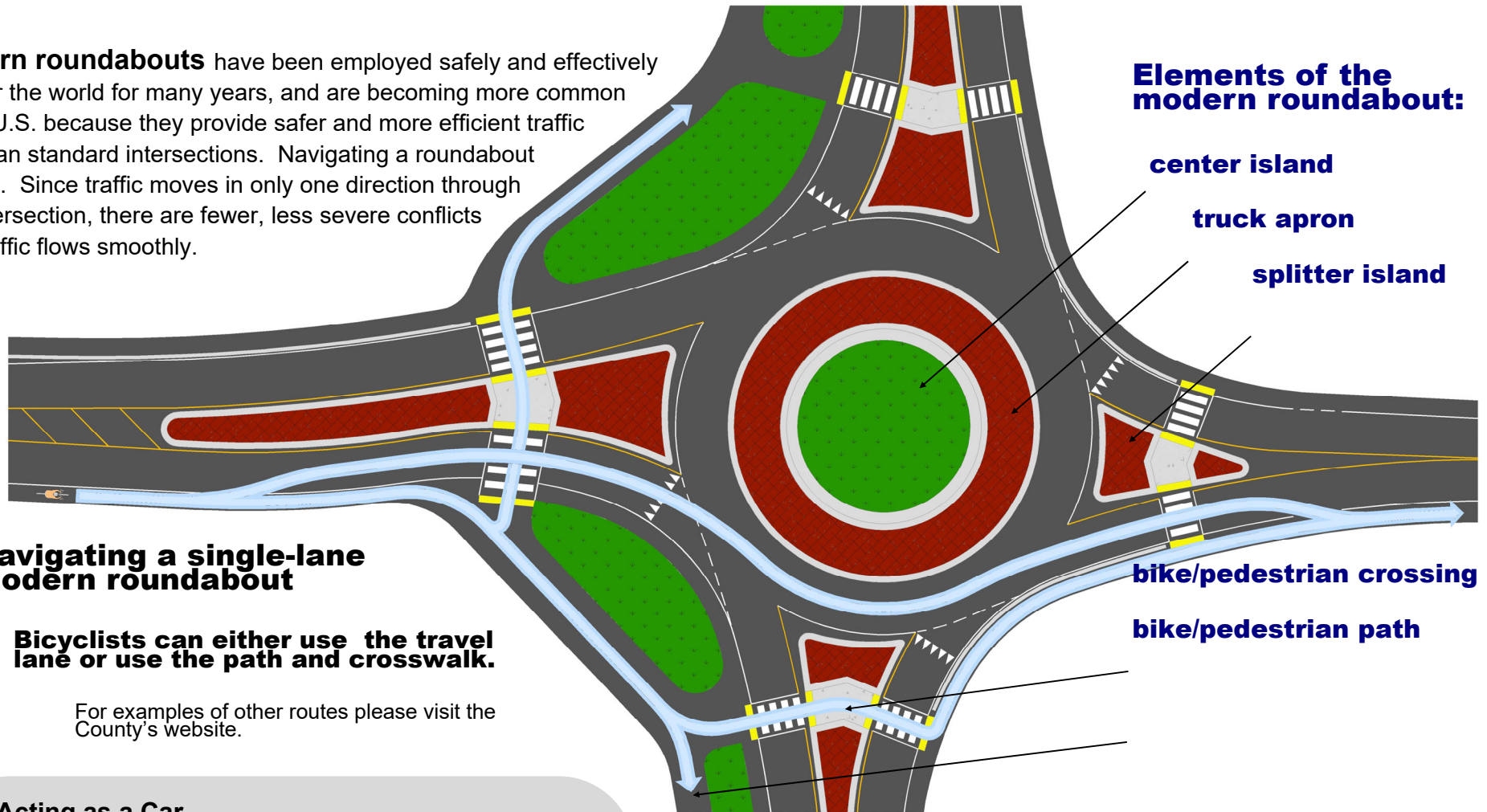


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Roundabouts
and Bicyclists-
Making Safe
Choices

Modern roundabouts have been employed safely and effectively all over the world for many years, and are becoming more common in the U.S. because they provide safer and more efficient traffic flow than standard intersections. Navigating a roundabout is easy. Since traffic moves in only one direction through the intersection, there are fewer, less severe conflicts and traffic flows smoothly.

Elements of the modern roundabout:



Navigating a single-lane modern roundabout

Bicyclists can either use the travel lane or use the path and crosswalk.

For examples of other routes please visit the County's website.

If Acting as a Car...

1. Look for and use an acceptable gap in traffic to move from the bicycle lane to the motorized vehicle travel lane. Remember to signal your lane change.
2. Watch for and yield to pedestrians at the crosswalk.
3. Monitor your speed; be prepared to yield to vehicles in the circulatory roadway. Look for and use an acceptable gap and enter the roundabout.
4. Once in the roundabout, monitor your speed and proceed through the roundabout. Do not travel too fast; motorists need to be able to see you and react.
5. Stay in the middle of your lane through the intersection. Overtaking while in the roundabout is NOT acceptable.
6. Signal and take the appropriate exit.
7. Continue to ride in the middle of your lane. Look to make sure the bike lane is free of other users. Signal your lane change and enter the bike lane when it is safe to do so.



Signs in a modern roundabout:

If Acting as a Pedestrian...

1. Use the bike lane to access the multi-use path or paved shoulder.
2. Walk your bike at crosswalks.
3. Cross in two stages, using the splitter island.