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"Pedestrian & Vehicle Safety"

The Flagler Beach Police Department is providing the following information in an effort to educate our citizens and visitors on ***Florida State Statute 316.130; Pedestrians Traffic Regulations***. By increasing public awareness with this Statute we hope to gain compliance from pedestrians and motorists. Our goal in providing this information is to make the City of Flagler Beach a safer place to live, work and visit.

Our City has marked pedestrian crosswalks along SR100 (Moody Blvd) and SRA1A (Oceanshore Boulevard).

316.130 Pedestrians; Traffic Regulations

- (1) A pedestrian shall obey the instructions of any official traffic control device specifically applicable to the pedestrian unless otherwise directed by a Police Officer.
- (3) Where sidewalks are provided, no pedestrian shall, unless required by other circumstances, walk along and upon the portion of a roadway paved for vehicular traffic.
- (4) Where sidewalks are not provided, any pedestrian walking along and upon a highway shall, when practicable, walk only on the shoulder on the left side of the roadway in relation to the pedestrian's direction of travel, facing traffic which may approach from the opposite direction.
- (5) No person shall stand in the portion of a roadway paved for vehicular traffic for the purpose of soliciting a ride, employment, or business from the occupant of any vehicle. (i.e. hitchhiking)

(7)(a) The driver of a vehicle at an intersection that has a traffic control signal in place shall **stop before entering the crosswalk** and remain stopped to allow a pedestrian, with a permitted signal, to cross a roadway. This applies when the pedestrian is in the crosswalk, or steps into the crosswalk, and is upon the half of the roadway upon which the vehicle is traveling, or when the pedestrian is approaching so closely from the opposite half of the roadway as to be in danger.

(b) The driver of a vehicle at any crosswalk where signage so indicates shall stop and remain stopped to allow a pedestrian to cross a roadway when the pedestrian is in the crosswalk or steps into the crosswalk and is upon the half of the roadway upon which the vehicle is traveling or when the pedestrian is approaching so closely from the opposite half of the roadway as to be in danger.

(c) When traffic control signals are not in place or in operation and there is no signage indicating otherwise, the driver of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way, slowing down or stopping if need be, to yield to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within a crosswalk when the pedestrian is upon the half of the roadway upon which the vehicle is traveling or when the pedestrian is approaching so closely from the opposite half of the roadway as to be in danger. Any pedestrian crossing a roadway at a point where a pedestrian tunnel or overhead pedestrian crossing has been provided shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles upon the roadway.

(8) No pedestrian shall suddenly leave a curb or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle which is so close that it is impossible for the driver to yield.

(9) Whenever any vehicle is stopped at a marked crosswalk or at any unmarked crosswalk at an intersection to permit a pedestrian to cross the roadway, the driver of any other vehicle approaching from the rear shall not overtake and pass such stopped vehicle.

(10) Every pedestrian crossing a roadway at any point other than within a marked crosswalk or within an unmarked crosswalk at an intersection shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles upon the roadway.

Florida State Statute 316.130 in its entirety can be located at the following website;
http://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/index.cfm?mode=View%20Statutes&SubMenu=1&App_mode=Display_Statute&Search_String=yield+to+pedestrians&URL=0300-0399/0316/Sections/0316.130.html

If you have any questions about the information contained within this announcement, please feel free to contact Chief Doughney at (386) 517-2020.