

# Neighbourhood Streets Silver Springs

## Wheeling Lanes

Wheeling lanes are being installed using temporary material along Silver Springs Boulevard in response to community concerns around vehicle speeds, pedestrian safety and a desire for safe and green mobility options.

**What it is:** By installing wheeling lanes, a dedicated space is provided for all users. Calgarians tells us that separated wheeling lanes provide a comfortable and safe experience, which leads to more travel opportunities for residents to access community destinations.

- To help keep people moving year-round, wheeling lanes are typically located on higher priority snow routes such that they can be quickly cleared after a snowfall ends. It is also more efficient to clear wheeling facilities in tandem with parallel facilities like sidewalks and roadways.

**Who is it for:** Wheeling lanes are for people traveling by bike, scooter, rollerblade, skateboard, or other device intended for active travel. Gas powered devices are not permitted in the wheeling lanes. People using motorized mobility aids still use the sidewalk.

**How it works:** Silver Springs wheeling lanes operate similar to other dedicated facilities in Calgary. A few key features include:

- Lanes are located on both sides of the street.
- People cycling and wheeling travel in the same direction as vehicle traffic.
- Regular traffic signals direct all road users through intersections.

### How to use the wheeling lanes...

#### When Driving:

- Look both ways when entering/exiting a driveway or alley.
- Always shoulder check before turning.
- Yield to people traveling in the wheeling lane; turning only when it is safe to do so.
- Watch your blind spot when preparing to make a right turn. Yield to people cycling just as you would another driver.
- Do not park or drive in the dedicated wheeling lane.

#### When Walking:

- Look both ways when crossing the wheeling and vehicle lanes.
- Share the sidewalk with youth, 14 and under, who may choose to wheel on-street or off.

### When Wheeling:

- Travel in the direction of traffic.
- Obey all traffic signals.
- Yield to pedestrians.
- Adhere to posted speed limit.
- Watch for vehicles, especially those turning across your path.

### What hand signals should I use when cycling?



### What do the new signs and road markings mean?

#### Green dashed lines



- Indicates an intersecting place where people driving, wheeling and walking should pay more attention
- Drivers should watch for and yield to people wheeling and walking.

## New signage



- Posted sign and pavement markings designate on-street space for people cycling.
- Drivers are not permitted to park or drive in bicycle lanes, but may turn across them to access an alley, driveway or other driving space.
- Drivers must signal before crossing the bike lane and yield to cyclists



- Indicates drivers are allowed to turn across a cycle track to access an alley, driveway or intersection.
- Drivers must signal before crossing the bike lane and yield to people cycling.

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