PEDESTRIANS

Don’t assume that a driver sees you
Just because you can see a car, don’t assume the driver can see you. Drivers can’t see as well at night. Darkness, reflections, bright lights and wintry conditions all affect a driver’s ability to see clearly. You need to make yourself overly visible.

Wear highly visible reflective gear both FRONT and BACK
Strongly consider a reflective vest or adding reflective tape on your winter coats to help drivers see you. The more the better.

Carry a flashlight
Consider carrying a flashlight at night to help drivers see you and keep you safe in crosswalks and driveways.

Be alert at all times
Wear clothing that does not restrict your vision. Stay warm, but DO NOT impair your vision with hoodies, ski masks and scarves.

DRIVERS

Check headlights, tail lights and signal lights before winter driving
The build-up of snow and winter road dirt encrusted on your exterior lights can drastically reduce their brightness, making it harder for you to see ahead and harder for other drivers to see you from behind. Keep them clean!

Be aware of glare
Clean your windshield outside and inside. A dirty (or cracked) windshield can magnify glare.

Carry appropriate sunglasses
Be sure to have your sunglasses ready for sunrise and sunset, or wet, snowy, or icy conditions that increase glare.

Don’t drive blind, even for a moment!
Absolutely no texting while driving! Besides the obvious, night vision won’t recover immediately after you’ve been looking at the lighted screen instead of the road ahead.

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