

What Do These Signs Mean?

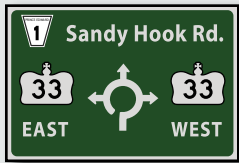
As you approach a roundabout, these are the key signs you will see:



This sign warns you about the yield sign ahead at the roundabout.



This sign lets you know a roundabout is just ahead. Time to SLOW DOWN.



Now you will see guide signs showing the exits and where they will take you.



Look left. The Yield sign tells you to yield to all traffic in a roundabout, wait for a sufficient gap, then enter. Traffic inside the roundabout always has the right-of-way.



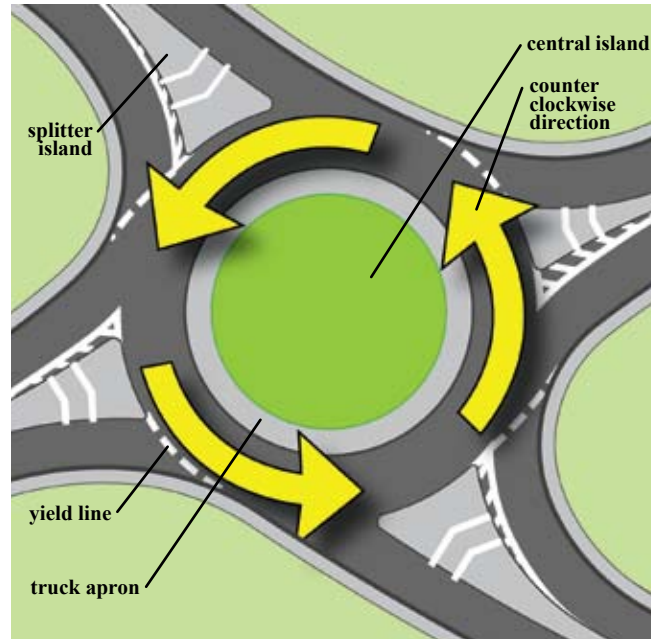
The One Way sign is in the central island reminding you to only travel in a counterclockwise direction in the roundabout.

What is a Roundabout?

A roundabout is an intersection in which all vehicular traffic circulates counterclockwise around a central island. Drivers yield at entry to the roundabout and vehicles in the roundabout have the right-of-way.

Advantages of roundabouts versus traditional intersection treatments:

1. Increases intersection performance by reducing delays and queues.
2. Reduces air and noise pollution, and fuel consumption by eliminating idling.
3. Reduces the number and severity of collisions.
4. Provides a traffic calming effect by reducing the vehicle's speed.



For more information, please call the Ministry of Transportation at (613)-544-2220 or visit www.ontario.ca/Highway33Roundabout

Highway 33 / County Road 1 Roundabout: A User Guide



Tips on how to Drive, Walk, and Cycle safely in the new roundabout to be completed in 2009.



Tips for Drivers

1. Slow down when approaching the roundabout. Roundabouts are designed for speeds of approximately 20 km/h.
2. Keep to the right of the splitter island.
3. Be aware of your surroundings. Watch for pedestrians and cyclists.
4. Yield at entry. Look left. Traffic in the roundabout has the right-of-way.
5. Enter the roundabout only once it is safe. Make sure that there is an adequate gap in the circulating traffic flow.
6. Vehicles in a roundabout always move in a counterclockwise direction.
7. Do not pass other vehicles or cyclists in the roundabout.
8. Large vehicles may use the truck apron for safe turning.
9. Always signal before exiting and maintain low speeds.
10. Beware of pedestrians and cyclists crossing the road as you exit the roundabout.

Tips for Pedestrians

1. Vehicles always have the right-of-way in the roundabout. Choose a safe time to cross.
2. Never walk in the central island.
3. Step on the splitter island when crossing so you can safely cross one lane at a time.

Tips for Cyclists

1. For less experienced cyclists, dismount your bicycle ahead of the roundabout. Walk your bicycle following the same tips used by pedestrians.
2. For experienced cyclists, use the roundabout as if you were a vehicle. Before the paved shoulder ends, signal your intent to merge into the middle of the approach lane before entering the roundabout. Stay in the middle of the lane. Follow all the rules that apply to vehicles.

Location Map

