What is a HAWK beacon?

A HAWK beacon (High-Intensity Activated crossWalK beacon) is a traffic control device used to stop road traffic and allow pedestrians to cross safely. The purpose of a HAWK beacon is allow to protected pedestrian crossings, stopping road traffic only as needed. Where standard traffic signal 'warrants' prevent the installation of standard three-color traffic signals, the HAWK beacon provides an alternative.

Even with the direction given by the pedestrian crossing signal and the HAWK beacon, pedestrians and drivers always have the individual responsibility to proceed with caution when entering the crosswalk.





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Providing You With:

A User's Guide for Pedestrians & Motorists

HAWK

<u>H</u>igh-Intensity <u>A</u>ctivated Cross<u>W</u>al<u>K</u> Pedestrian Signal



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	HAWK Signal Description	See This:	Do This:	See This:	Do This:
1	. When not in use, the traffic signal is dark and a solid "DON'T WALK" indication is displayed for pedestrians.		Proceed With Caution.		Push the button to cross.
2	. When a pedestrian pushes the button, the traffic signal flashes yellow for several seconds.		Slow down, prepare to stop. Pedestrian has activated signal.		Wait to cross.
3	. After the flashing yellow interval, the traffic signal displays a solid yellow to give motorists enough time to stop.		Stop if safe to do so.		Wait for traffic to stop.
4	. After the solid yellow interval, the traffic signal is solid red, and the pedestrian signal displays a "WALK", indicating pedestrians are allowed to cross the roadway.		Stop and remain stopped. Pedestrian in crosswalk.	K	Safe to cross, begin crossing roadway. Look before crossing!
5	. The traffic signal then flashes alternating red and the pedestrian signal flashes "DON'T WALK". Drivers may proceed after stopping if there are no pedestrians in the roadway.		Stop. Then proceed with caution if no pedestrians in roadway.		If in roadway, continue walking. If not in roadway, do not start.
6	. After flashing "DON'T WALK", the traffic signal is dark again and the pedestrian signal indication displays a solid "DON'T WALK" until the button is pressed again.		Proceed With Caution.		Push the button to cross.