



Accessible Streets – Part 2

**Tell us what you think of the changes we want to make to the road rules about how we:**

* **drive on our roads**
* **give way to others on our roads**
* **cross on our roads.**





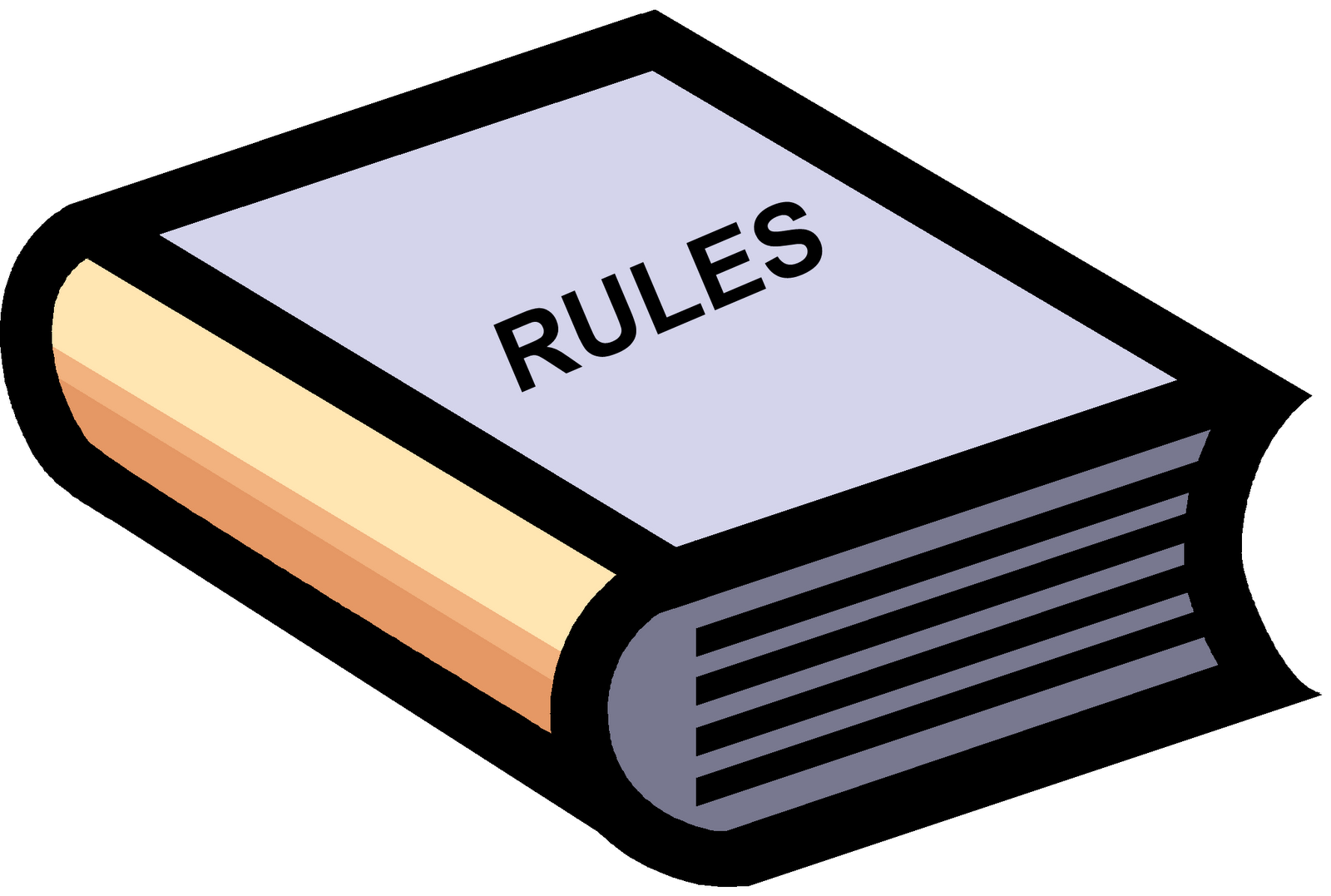
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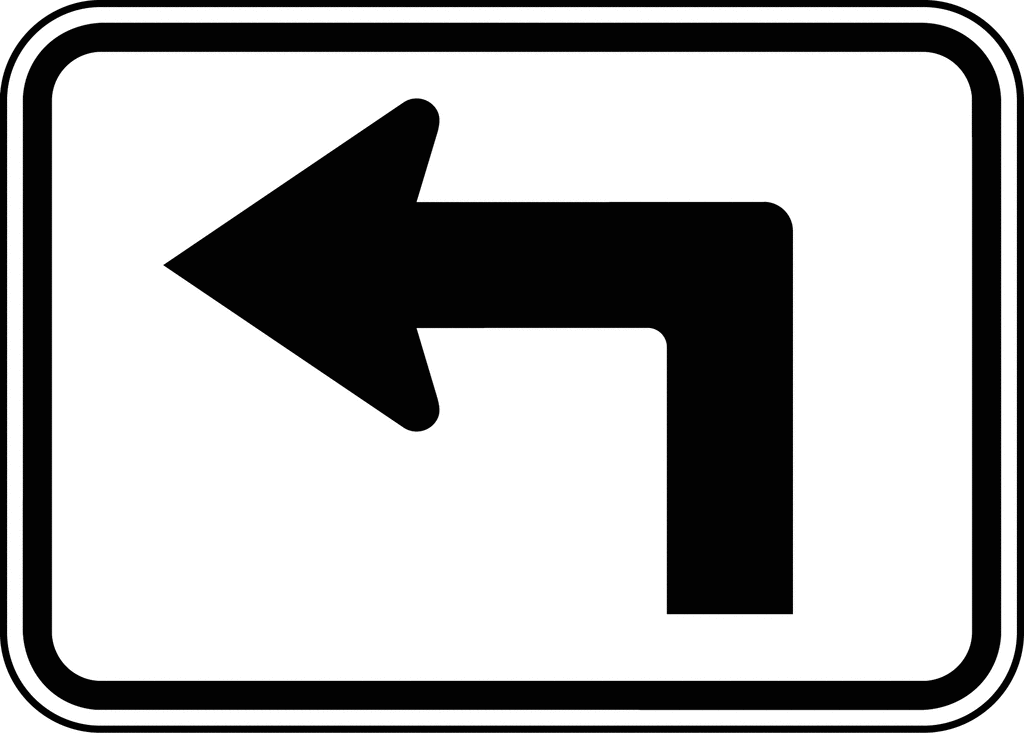


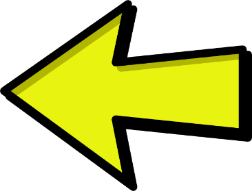
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# Before you start

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This is an Easy Read booklet about some changes that may be made to make our streets and pathways more:



* **accessible**
* safe to use.



**Accessible** means making our paths and roads easy for everyone to use.



It is an easy read translation of some parts of a longer document called **Accessible Streets.**

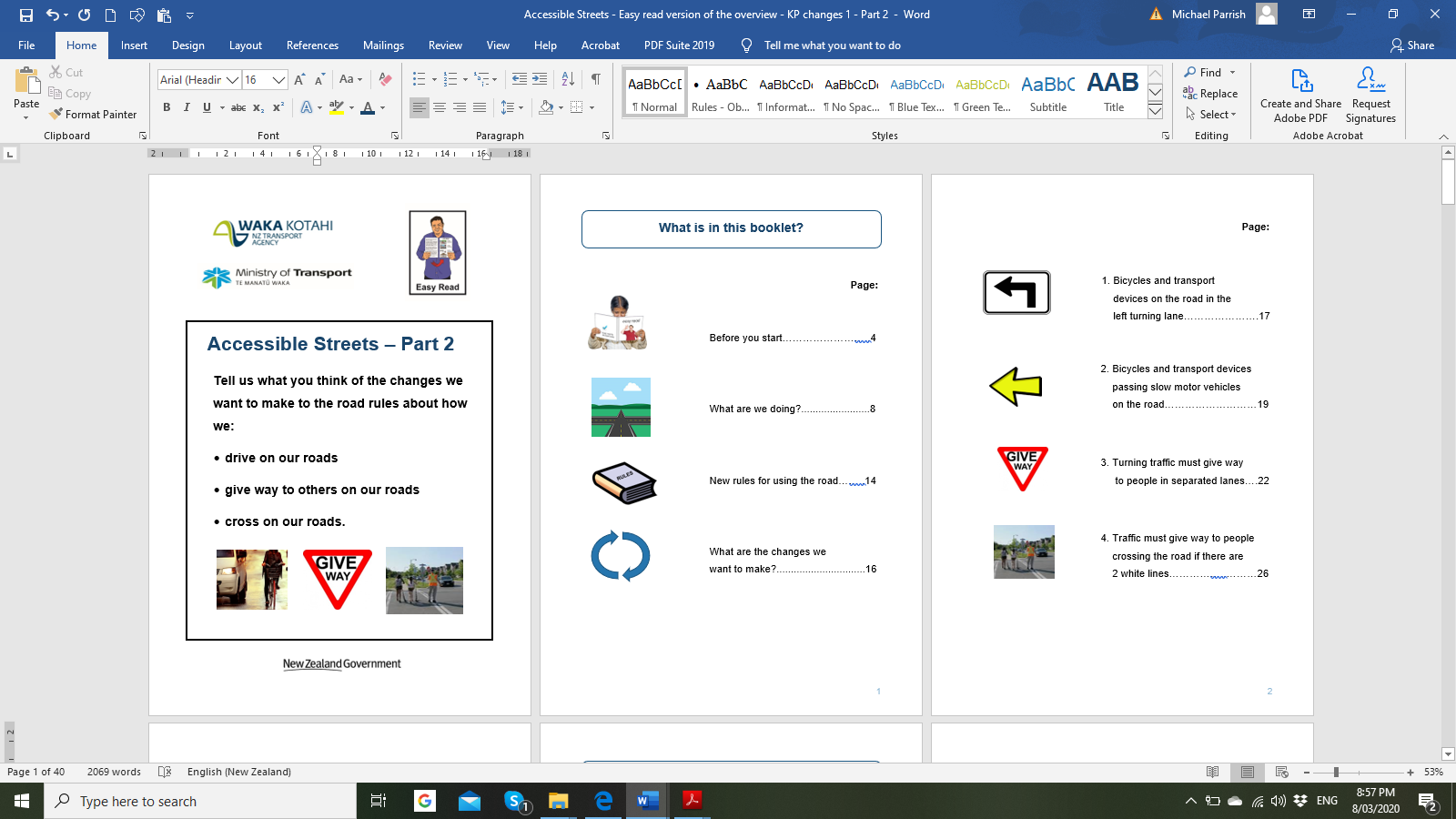
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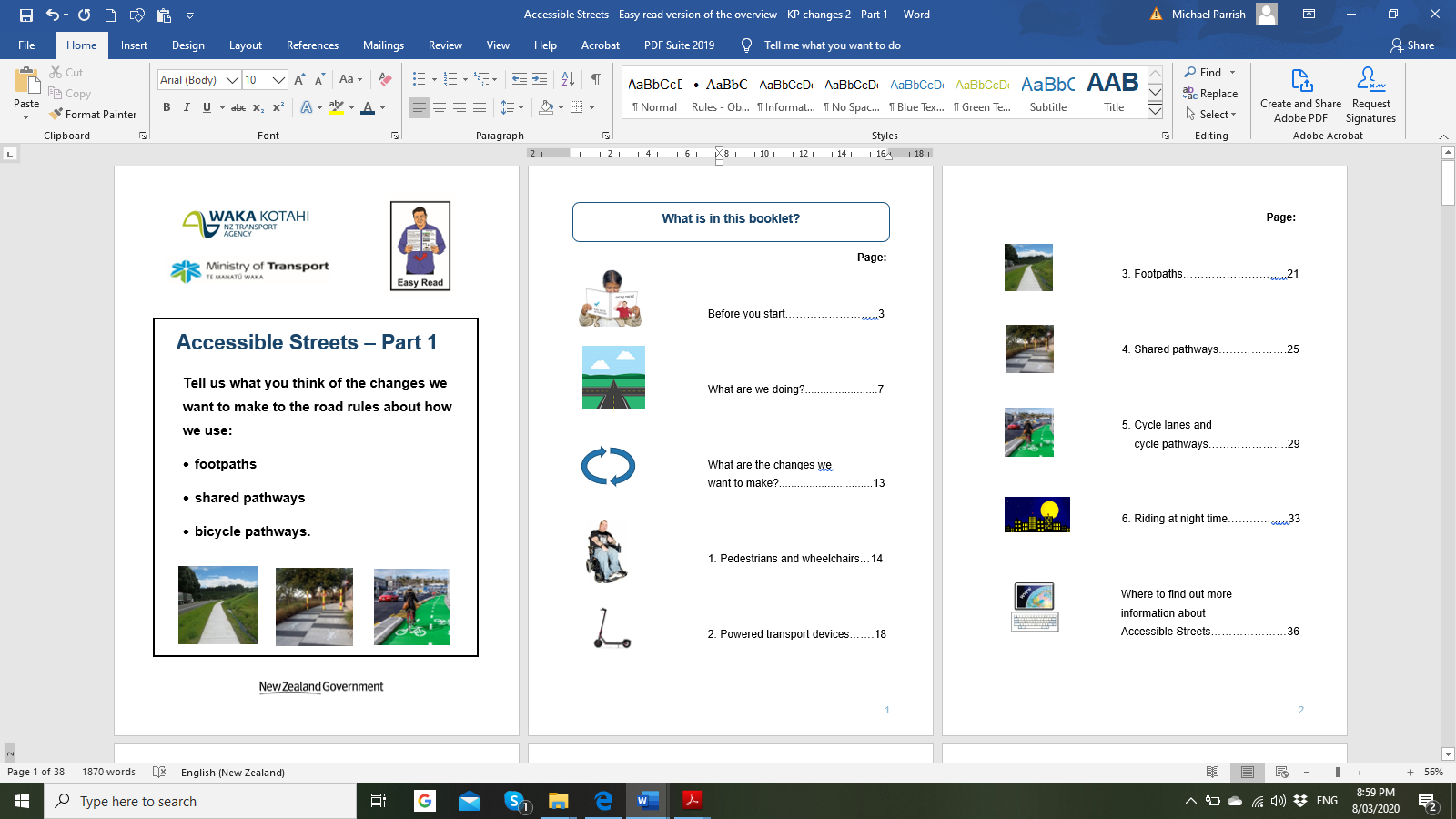


* Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency.

This booklet is called **Accessible Streets: Part 2.**

It looks at how we:

* drive on our roads
* give way to others on our roads
* cross on our roads.

There is also another booklet called **Accessible Streets: Part 1** which looks at how we use:

* footpaths
* shared pathways
* bicycle pathways.

****You can find these booklets on the Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency website:

**www.nzta.govt.nz/about-us/ consultations/accessible-streets**

This booklet is a long document.

Some things you can do to make it easier are:



read it a few pages at a time

ask someone to assist you to understand it



ask someone to assist you with filling in the question boxes in the document.

# What are we doing?

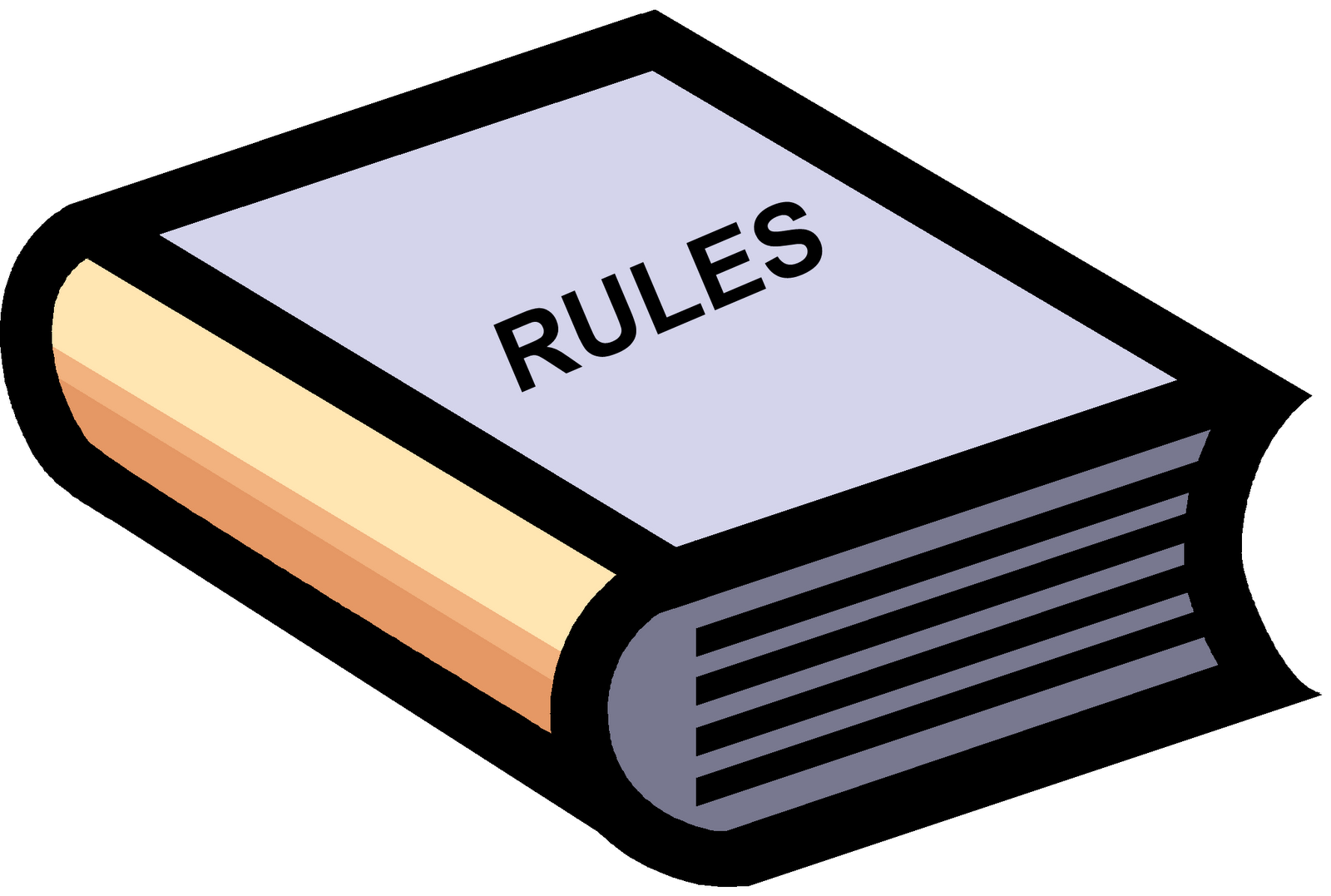
**We** want to make some changes to the New Zealand road rules.

**We** means:

* The Ministry of Transport



* Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency



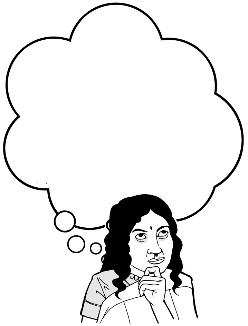
**Road rules** are rules that everyone must follow while using:

* roads
* footpaths
* bicycle pathways.

We want to make changes to some of the road rules so that it is easier for everyone to get to where they want to go.



These changes are part of a group of changes called **Accessible Streets.**



We want you to hear what you think about these changes.

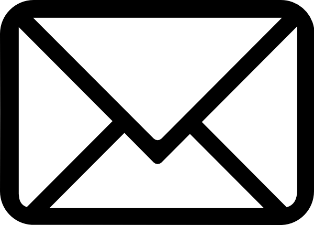
In this booklet we have some questions to assist you to tell us what you think.

**You do not have to answer every question.**

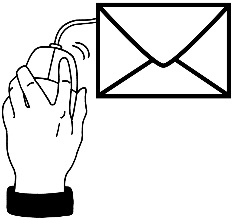
## How to tell us what you think of the changes we want to make to the road rules

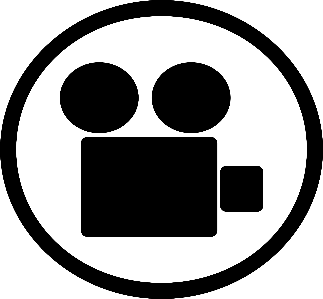
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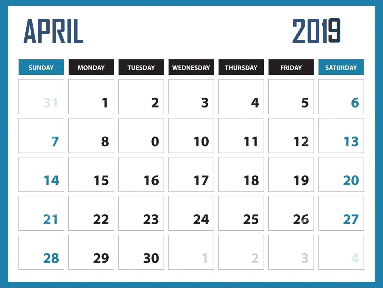
You can fill in the question boxes in this booklet then post it to us to read.

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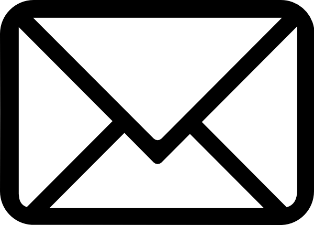
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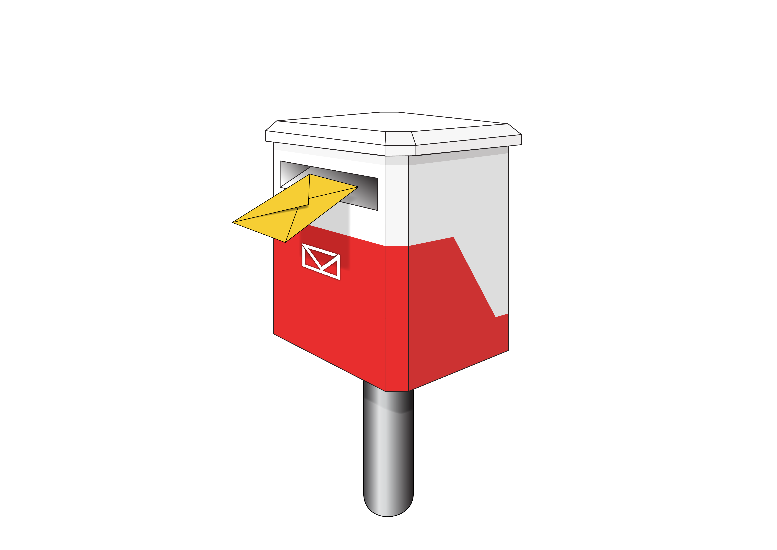
* writing us a letter
* sending us an email
* sending us a video message.



**You need to make sure you tell us what you think before 5pm on Wednesday 22 April 2020**

****You can **post** in your booklet with answers or letter for free to:

**Accessible Streets 2020**

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**Free Post 65090**

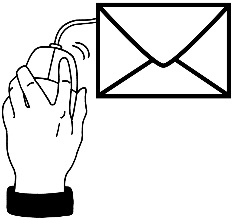
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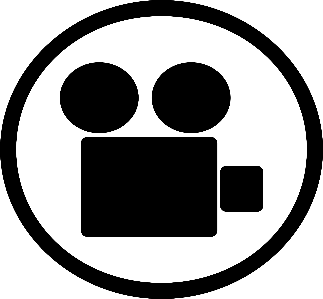
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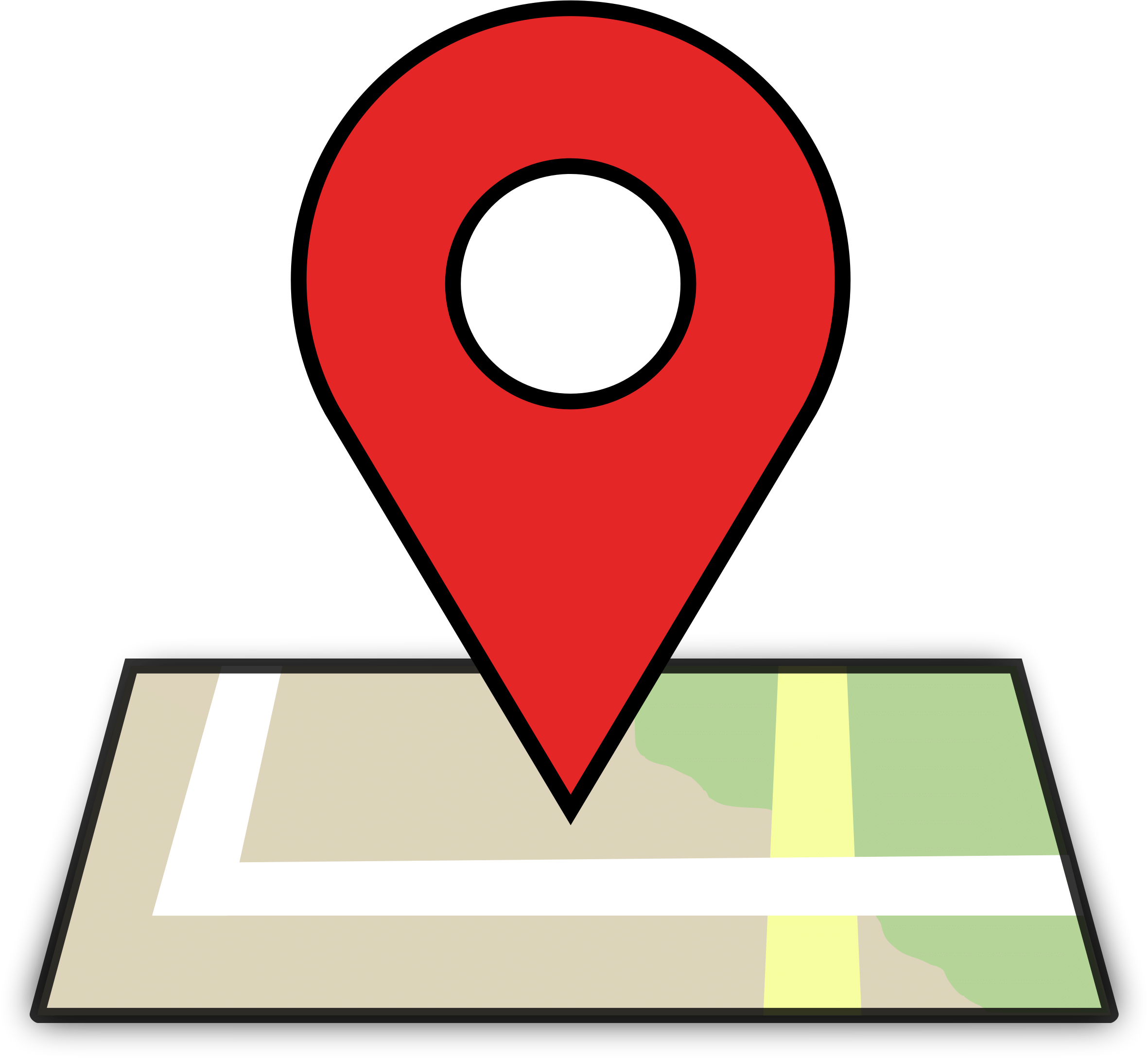


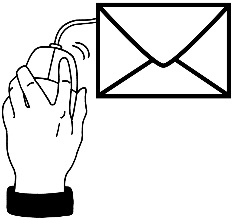
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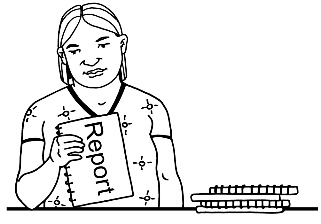
**When you tell us what you think please make sure you tell us:**

1. your name



1. the name of this booklet - **Accessible Streets**
2. your **address**
3. your **email address** if you have one.

## What we will do with the ideas you send in



We will write a short report of all the ideas that people send to us.



We will share the short report with everyone.

In that report we might use:



* your name
* information about your ideas.

**Please tell us** if you do not want your name or your information to be in our short report.



We may call or email you to talk about this.

# New rules for using the road



This booklet goes through some of the road rule changes we want to make.



The new road rules will change the way you:

* walk on our roads and pathways
* ride a bicycle on our roads and pathways

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* ride **transport devices** on our roads and pathways

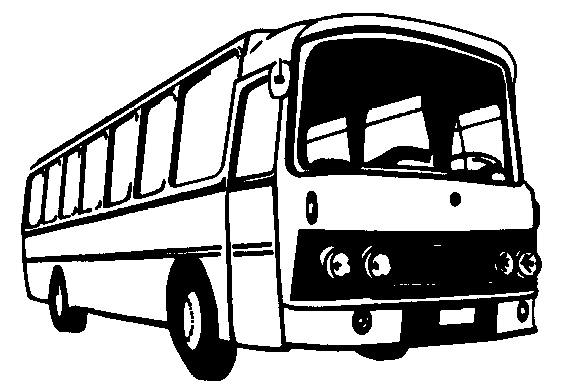


* drive a **motor vehicle** on our roads.

**Transport devices** are things like:

* push scooters
* electric scooters
* yike bikes which is like a small motorbike that can be folded up.

**Motor vehicles** are things like:

* cars
* trucks
* buses.

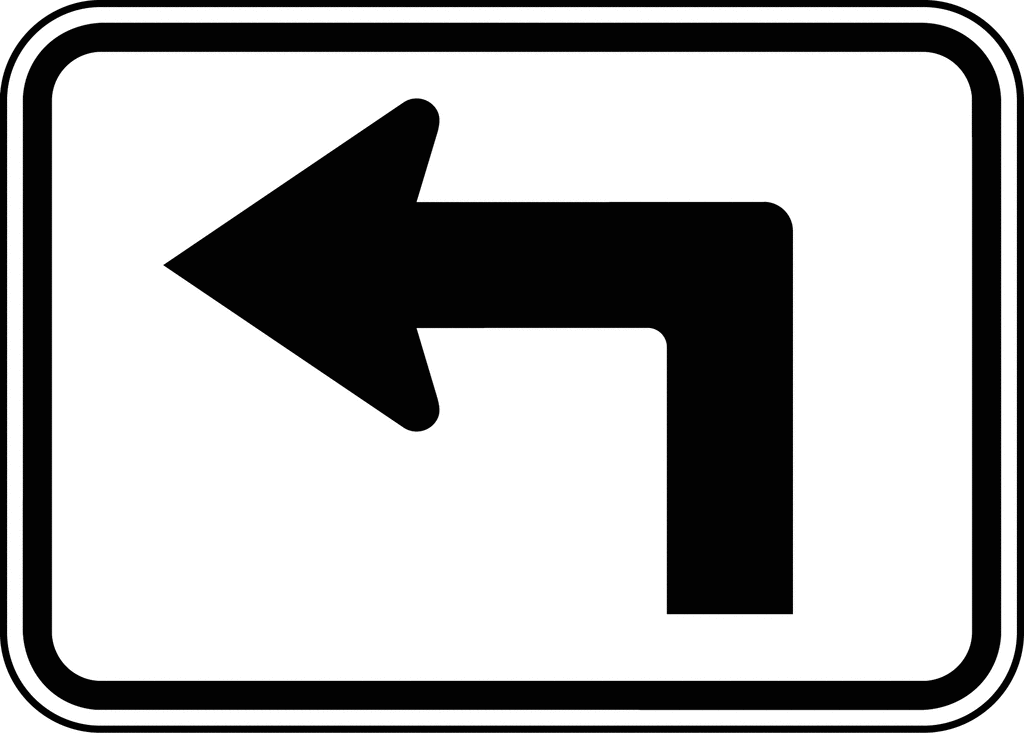
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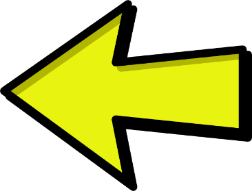
* **powered transport devices**
* **unpowered transport devices** which are things like skateboards and push scooters

**What are the changes we want to make?**

This booklet looks at 7 of the important things we want to change:



1. Bicycles and transport devices on the road in the left turning lane



1. Bicycles and transport devices passing slow motor vehicles on the road
2. Turning traffic must give way to people in separated lanes
3. Traffic must give way to people crossing the road if there are 2 white lines

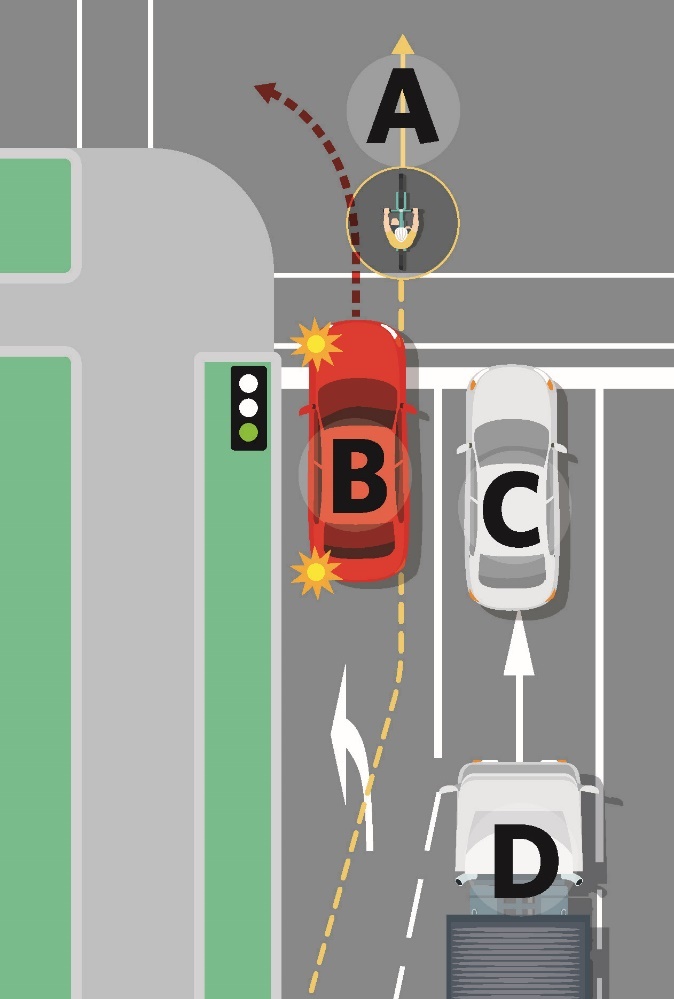


1. Motor vehicles must pass at a gap of least 1 metre
2. Parking on berms
3. Give way to buses leaving bus stops.
4. **Bicycles and transport devices on the road**

**in the left turning lane**

**The road rule change that we would like to make is:**

Let bicycles and transport devices go **straight ahead** from a **left turning lane**.

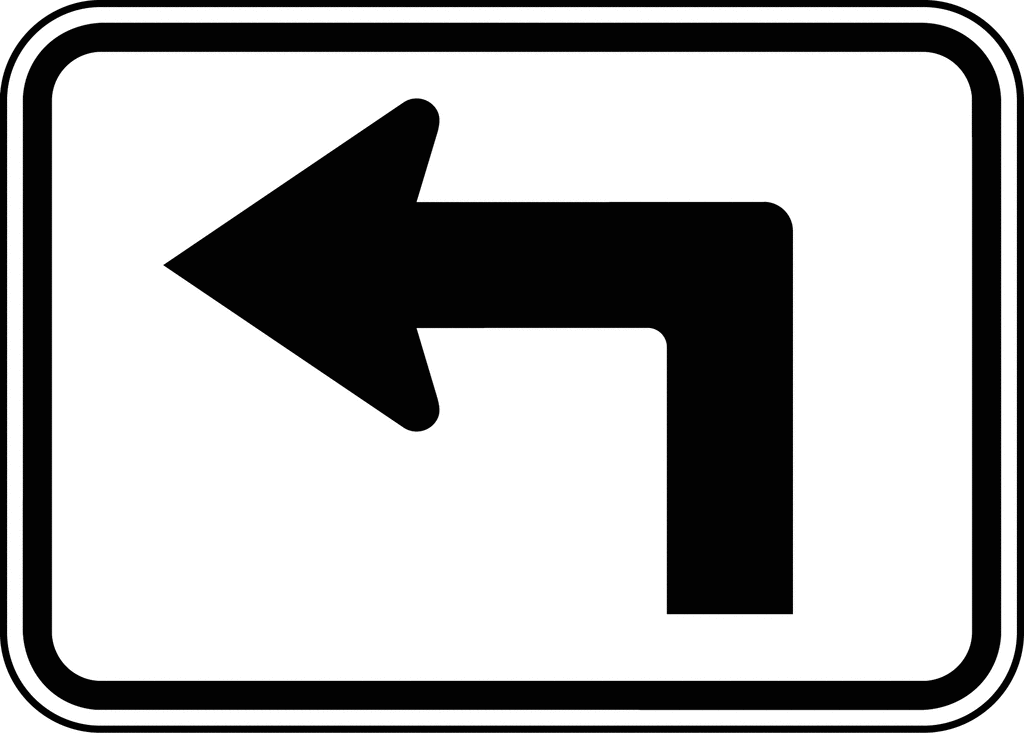
This picture shows what it would look like if we changed this rule.

**A**: The bicycle is moving straight ahead from a left turning lane.

**B:** The red car is turning left.

**C and D:** These cars are going straight ahead.

**Question 1**



Do you think it is a good idea to let cycles and transport devices go **straight ahead** from a **left turn lane**?

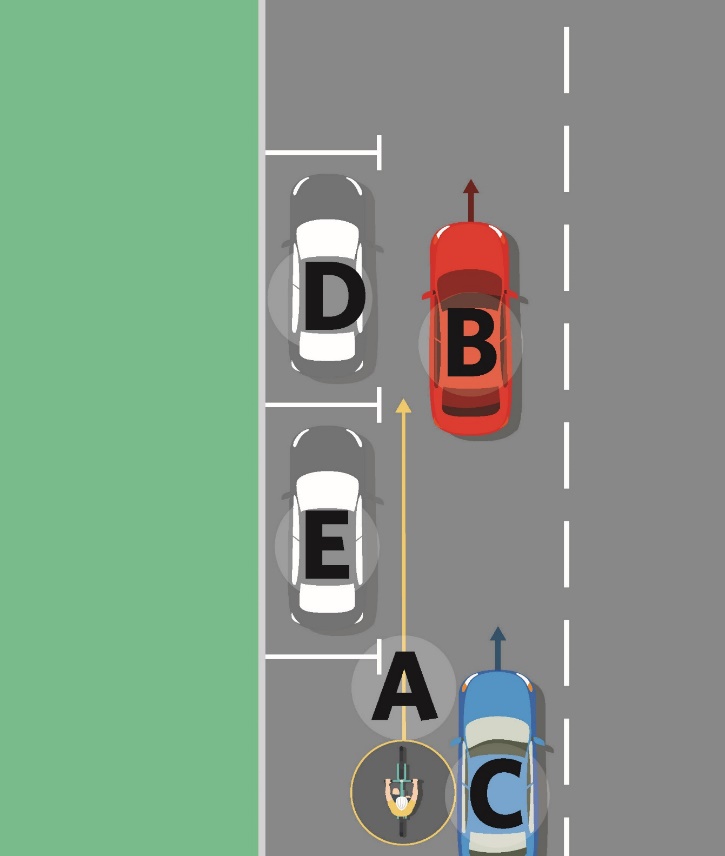
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1. **Bicycles and transport devices passing**

**slow motor vehicles on the road**

**The road rule change that we would like to make is:**

Let bicycles and transport devices **pass slow moving traffic on the left.**

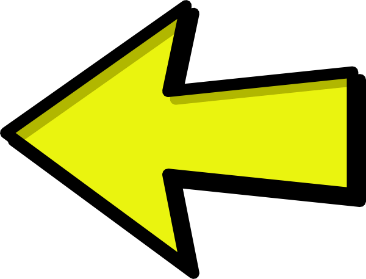
This picture shows what it would look like if we changed this rule.

**A:** The bicycle is passing the blue car on its left side.

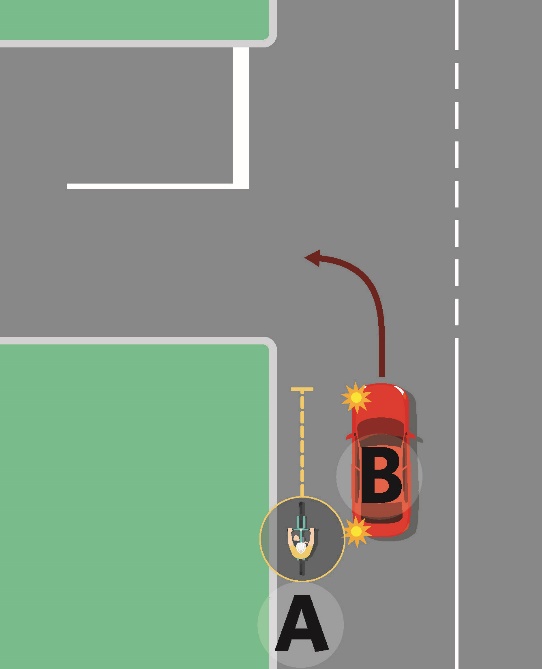
**C:** The blue car is moving slowly.

**B:** The red car is going straight ahead.

**D and E:** cars are parked and not moving at all.

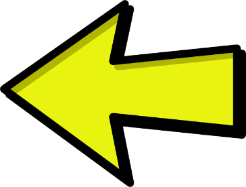
Passing on the left is also called **undertaking**.

Many people riding bicycles do this already.



It is important to understand that people riding bicycles or transport devices will **not be able to undertake if a car is going to turn left.**

## Question 2

Do you think it is a good idea to let bicycles and transport devices **pass slow moving traffic on the left?**

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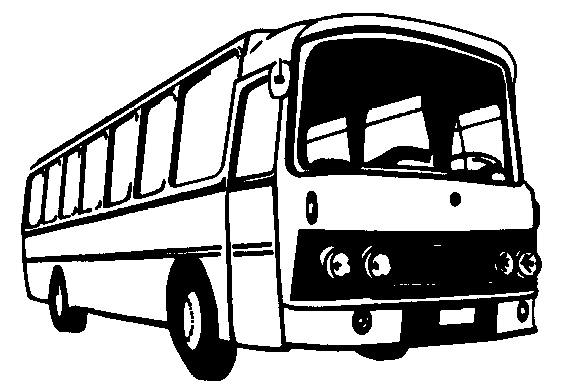
1. **Turning traffic must give way to people in separated lanes**

*A cyclist travels down a cycle path separated from the road with small concrete blocks resembling kerbs.
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A **separated lane** is a lane beside the road with barriers to stop **motor vehicles** from using the lane.



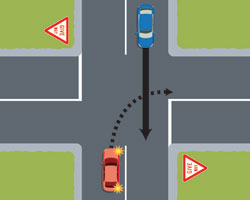
A **separated lane** can be used by:

* people riding bicycles
* buses
* transport devices.

Sometime it is not clear who needs to **give way** to **turning traffic** at **intersections.**



To **give way** means to let someone else go first.

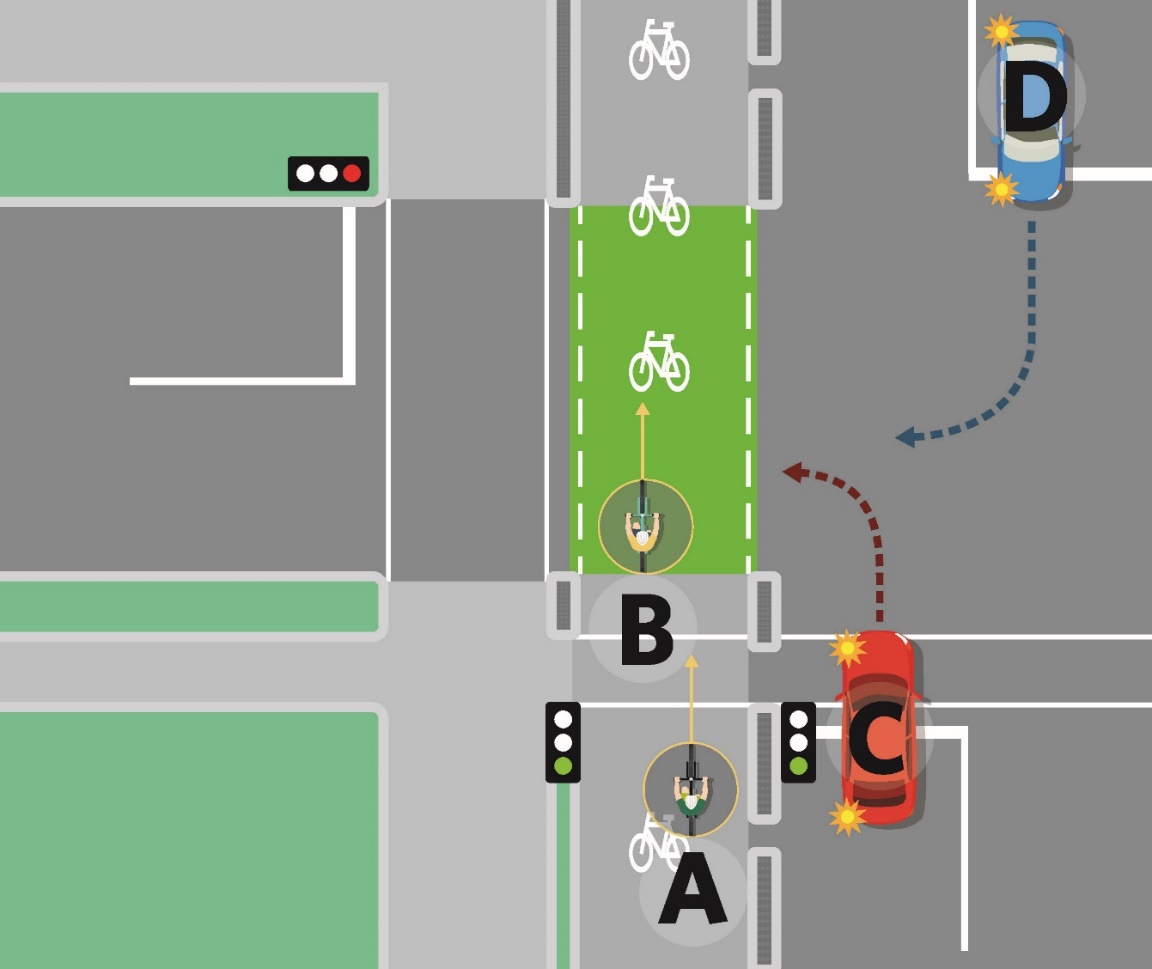


An **intersection** is an area where different roads meet

The **road rule change that we would like to make is:**

**Turning traffic** must wait for people in a separated lane to go first.

This picture shows what it would look like if we changed this rule.



The traffic lights have turned green for go.

**A and B:** Bicycles in the separated lane can ride through the intersection.

**C and D:** These cars need to give way to the bicyclesthat are going through the intersection in the separated lane.

## *A cyclist travels down a cycle path separated from the road with small concrete blocks resembling kerbs.*Question 3

Do you think it is a good idea that **turning traffic** must wait for people in a separated lane to go first?

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1. **Traffic must give way to people crossing the road if there are 2 white lines**



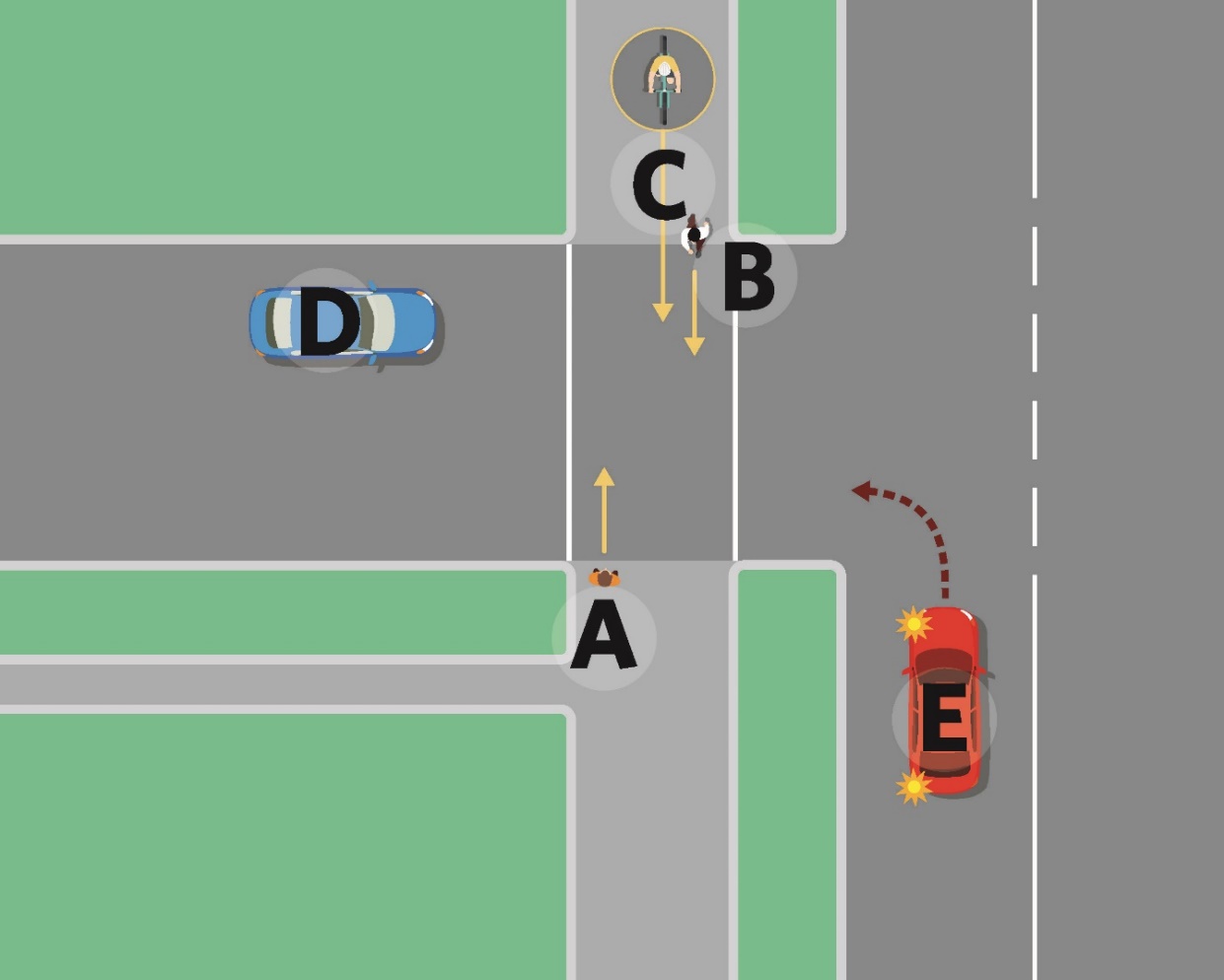
At the moment the road rules say people must wait for **turning traffic** before crossing a side road.

**The road rule change that we would like is:**

When there are **2 white lines across the road** turning traffic must:



* stop
* wait for people crossing the road.

This picture shows what it would look like if we changed this rule.

There are 2 white

lines.

**A** and **B:** People walking

straight ahead and crossing the road.

**C:** A person on a bicycle

going straight ahead.

**E**: A car that will need to stop

and give way to A B and C.



If there are **no** white lines people will need to still wait for **turning traffic** before crossing the side road.

## Question 4

Do you think it is a good idea that **turning traffic** stop and wait for people to cross a side road if there are **2 white lines across the road**?

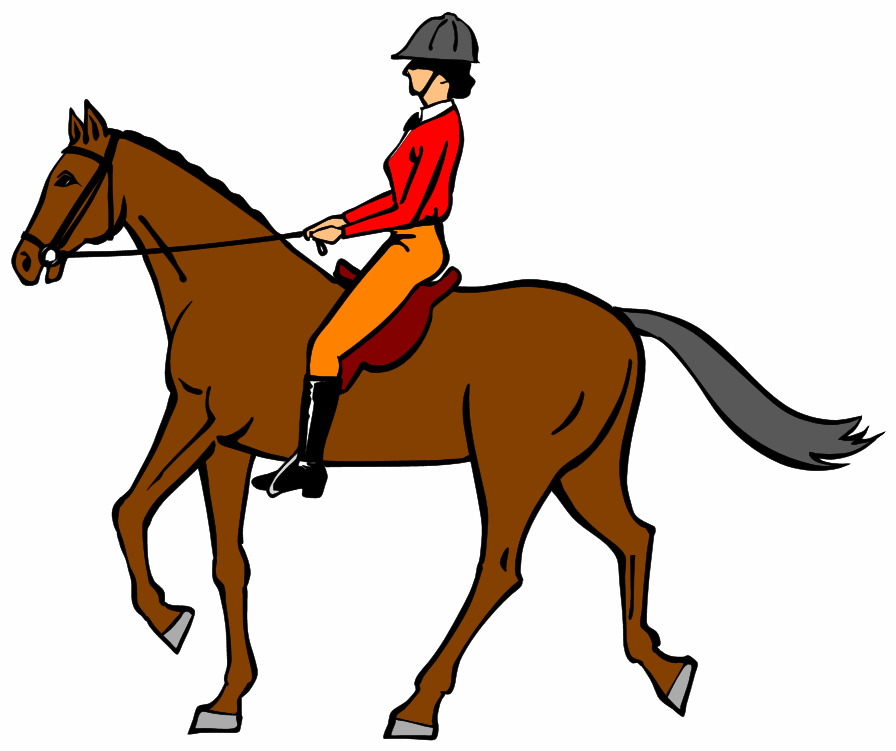
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# Motor vehicles must pass with a gap of

# at least 1 metre



We want motor vehicles to drive past others more carefully on the road.

These are rules for when drivers pass:

* people riding bicycles
* horse riders
* people walking or running on footpaths or roads
* people using mobility devices like wheelchairs
* people on transport devices.

We want drivers to make sure there is space between them and the person are driving past.



We want to change the road rules so that:

Motor vehicles must **pass others at a space** of:

* **1 metre or more** when the **speed limit** is 60 kilometres per hour or less



* **1.5 metres or more** when the **speed limit** is over 60 kilometres per hour.

## Question 5



Do you think it is a good idea that drivers have more space between them and the person they are driving past?

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# Parking on berms

A **berm** is the land beside the road that can be:

* grass
* dirt
* garden.



Cars and trucks park on **berms**.

But sometimes this can be dangerous or damage land.

We want to make it easy to stop cars and trucks from parking on **berms** if it:

* is dangerous



* makes it hard to get past
* could damage the land.

**The change we would like to make to the road rules is that:**

There does **not** need to be signs to tell people not to park on a berm**.**





People will go on the internet instead to see if they are allowed to park on a berm.

## Question 6



Do you think it is a good idea to stop using signs to tell people not to park on a berm**?**



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# Give way to buses leaving bus stops



When a bus is leaving a bus stop other people on the road do **not** have to **give way.**



To **give way** means to let someone else go first.

If there is a lot of traffic this can:



* slow the bus down
* make the people riding the bus late.

**The road rule change we would like to make is**:

We want traffic to give way to buses when:



* + - * + the bus is leaving the bus stop
        + the speed limit is 60 kilometres or less.



This rule would only happen on roads where motor vehicles are travelling at **60 kilometres per hour or less.**

## Bus stop sign clip art Free vector for free download (about 7 files).Question 7

Do you think it is a good idea that we want traffic to give way to buses when:



* + - * + the bus is leaving the bus stop
        + the speed limit is 60 kilometres or less?

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# Where to find more information about Accessible Streets

****You can find more information about Accessible Streets:

Website:

**www.nzta.govt.nz/accessible-streets-consultation**



Email us at:

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Phone us on:

**0800 699 000**



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