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ROAD USERS URGED TO BE ALERT TO NEW PEDESTRIAN SIGNALS ON WATERFRONT - FEBRUARY 2006

NEWS DESCRIPTION

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The National Roads Authority (NRA) is therefore urging all road users to be aware of the location of the new signals on Harbour Drive, particularly pedestrians. When crossing the road, pedestrians should remain alert, always look both ways, and must remain aware of vehicular traffic. Pedestrians should not always assume cars are going to stop, even though vehicles must always yield to these signals.

Motorists are asked to be on special alert as most pedestrians in this vicinity will be vacationing tourists, who are not always fully conscious of their surroundings.

Above all, all road users must obey all road rules, including the new signals.

"If we all follow these few simple rules as motorists and pedestrians, accidents will be reduced and fatalities avoided," said NRA Director Colford Scott, who urged that everyone does his or her part in making the roads safe.

For more information on pedestrian safety, please contact the National Roads Authority (NRA) at [946-7780](tel:946-7780).

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Pedestrian Signal at the intersection of Fort Street and Harbour Drive.



Pedestrian Signal at the intersection of Shedden Road and Harbour Drive.

