

## **Walking Risk Assessment**

Po	otential Risk	Answer	If you answered YES
1.	Do you cross the street outside of intersections or crosswalks?	☐ Yes ☐ No	<b>Stop!</b> Crossing outside of intersections or crosswalks account for most pedestrian fatalities.
2.	Do you ignore pedestrian signals?	☐ Yes ☐ No	Walk with care! Following signals is the safest way to cross
3.	Do you use a cell phone while walking?	☐ Yes ☐ No	<b>Don't walk distracted!</b> It only takes a second to miss seeing a car or hazard
4.	Do you wear headphones while walking?	☐ Yes ☐ No	Stay aware! Sounds can alert you to danger
5.	Do you wear dark clothing while walking at night?	☐ Yes ☐ No	<b>Be seen!</b> Wear reflective clothing or safety lights
6.	Do you walk after consuming alcohol?	☐ Yes ☐ No	<b>Don't risk it!</b> One-third of pedestrians killed had a BAC above 0.08
7.	Do you take medications that make you drowsy or unbalanced?	☐ Yes ☐ No	Consult your doctor! Perhaps your medications can be adjusted
8.	Is your vision impaired?	☐ Yes ☐ No	See an eye doctor! Annual exams will detect changes in your vision
9.	Do you wear glasses with bifocals or progressive lenses?	☐ Yes ☐ No	<b>Be careful!</b> Pay special attention when walking down stairs or negotiating curbs
10	. Do you have trouble hearing?	☐ Yes ☐ No	<b>Get your hearing checked!</b> Some traffic dangers can be heard before they are seen
11.	. Have you fallen in the past or been told you are at risk for falling?	☐ Yes ☐ No	Use a balance aid! Consider a cane or walker to improve your stability
12. Are you a slow walker?		☐ Yes	
	<b>TEST:</b> Mark two lines 10 feet apart, time yourself walking there and back	No My time:	<b>Pick up the pace!</b> Walking speed is important to your safety
	Answer 'yes' if longer than 5 seconds	seconds	

The preferred answer to all questions is "NO."

If you marked "Yes" to any of them, you may need to take steps to reduce your risk.

