

Neighborways



What is a Neighborway?

Neighborways are low-stress and high comfort residential streets. These streets are designed to lower volume and speeds for vehicles with measures like speed humps or narrowing the entrance to the street.

Why do we have Neighborways?

The Somerville Bicycle Network Plan identified streets to be designated as Neighborways for people to comfortably walk, roll, and bike on. By using tools to slow vehicle speeds, the City aims to provide alternative residential options to busier streets.

What is the direction of traffic on a Neighborway?

Neighborways will provide a two-way connection for people biking even if the street is one-way for vehicular traffic.

How do you know you are on a Neighborway?

When you enter a Neighborway, you will see purple signs and pavement markings on the street. If you are traveling on a Neighborway that's one way for vehicles, you'll find entrances and exits for bikes at each intersection that allow bikes to safely travel in both directions.



Find more information at somervillema.gov/bikenetwork or email transportation@somervillema.gov or call 311 at 617-666-3311.



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How do you use a Neighborway?

Neighborway speed limits are not more than 20mph. Please observe signage.

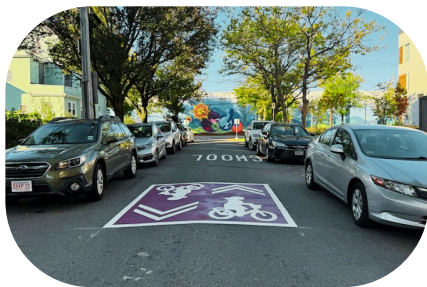
Drive slow!



On a one-way Neighborway; be aware that people biking can enter/exit and ride on the street in either direction



It is illegal to park within 20 feet of an intersection. Ensure that everybody is safe and has unobstructed views at crossings.



Do not park in the designated bicycle lanes.

Watch out for oncoming bike and car traffic and give them enough space to pass.

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