

You may have noticed around town a flashing yellow left turn arrow at some intersections to signify "turn with caution." This signal is now being used by the state Department of Transportation as a safer and more efficient alternative to traditional left turn arrows.



**TRAFFIC SIGNALS TO BE AWARE OF**

**FLASHING YELLOW LEFT TURN ARROW = Turn With Caution.** Drivers are permitted to turn left when it is safe to do so. Pedestrians crossing have the right of way over left-turning vehicles.

**STEADY RED ARROW = Left-turning vehicles stop and wait.**

**STEADY GREEN ARROW = Left-turning vehicles have the right of way and can proceed.** Oncoming traffic has a red light and must stop.

**STEADY YELLOW ARROW = Turn signal is about to turn red and left-turning drivers must yield to oncoming traffic.** Drivers should stop before they enter the intersection.



**THE NEW TURNING ARROW LIGHTS EXPLAINED**

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**THERE IS NOTHING MORE IMPORTANT THAN OUR SAFETY. THAT'S WHY ASSEMBLYMAN MIKE NORRIS HAS BEEN WORKING TO IMPROVE PUBLIC SAFETY BY ENSURING OUR ROADS AND INFRASTRUCTURE ARE WELL MAINTAINED AND IN GOOD REPAIR AND TO COMMUNICATE NEW LAWS THAT THE PUBLIC SHOULD BE AWARE OF WHEN THEY ARE ON THE ROAD.**



**Expansion of Move Over Law to All Vehicles on Side of Highway:** requires all drivers to exercise due care to avoid colliding with a motor vehicle that is parked, stopped or standing on the shoulder or any portion of a parkway or controlled-access highway (Chapter 517 of 2023).



**Speed Cameras in Highway Work Zones:** protects highway workers by establishing a photo speed violation monitoring system on controlled-access highways and the Thruway when construction or maintenance work is occurring and a work area speed limit is in place (Chapter 421 of 2021).



Though Mike voted against the entire 2024-25 State Budget because of its broken process and runaway spending, he did advocate for a Back-to-Basics approach to state spending that would invest in infrastructure in order to ensure public safety, improve commerce and help citizens commute and get around town more efficiently. As Minority Ranking Member of the Transportation Committee, he fought for an increase in funding for local infrastructure programs in our community and was pleased restorations were made to the proposed cuts to the Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS).<sup>1</sup>

1. <https://nyassembly.gov/mem/Michael-J-Norris/story/103527>



## Resources:



### **DEFENSIVE DRIVING:**

Mike encourages everyone to stay up to date on the latest developments on driver safety—and save money on their insurance—by taking defensive driving courses. You can find a variety of options that are vetted and approved by the state Department of Motor Vehicles on their website at <https://dmv.ny.gov/pirp/online> or by scanning the QR code.



### **YELLOW DOT PROGRAM:**

To help keep us safe after a car crash or other emergency, Assemblyman Mike Norris is partnering with the New York Sheriffs' Association to promote their Yellow Dot Program. This free public safety program provides a Yellow Dot Kit to New Yorkers so they can stick a "yellow dot" on their driver's side rear window of their vehicle to notify first responders that vital medical information can be found in the glove compartment in case there is an emergency. This information is critical to protect your life, and you never know when an emergency may happen. More than 2 million free Yellow Dot kits have already been distributed to New Yorkers. Go to <https://nysheriffs.org/yellowdot/> or scan the QR code to request yours.



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