

Traffic Circles

A traffic circle/traffic button/mini-roundabout is an island located at the centre of an intersection, which requires vehicles to travel through the intersection in a counter-clockwise direction around the island.

Some traffic circles can be designed to be mountable by large vehicles, while others are constructed with high back curb. Traffic circles can have landscaping or hardscape, depending on the size and site conditions. When considering raised median islands the street use and classification are reviewed to ensure that trucks, snow clearing equipment and emergency service vehicles can safely maneuver through the corridor. In some cases, operating routes may need to adjust to avoid the new conditions.



Non-mountable traffic circle



Mini traffic circle with mountable button