

## FoRIA Pedestrian/Walking Audit

Please return to FORIA member or mail to: PO Box 10041, Washington DC, 20018

Q: What is a pedestrian audit?

A: A pedestrian audit collects information about walking safety and comfort. Each person or group can fill out an audit. One person can also fill out more than one, for different areas. FoRIA will use the information provided to make suggestions to DC agencies like DDOT.

Q: Where should we walk?

A: Anywhere along RIA NE – your walk to school, just one intersection, you choose!

Q: How do we start?

A: Read the audit checklist before you start, so that you can look out for each item. If you have extra information, please put it at the end of the form. Make sure to tell us if you are giving general information (e.g. overall safety) versus comments about specific intersections or blocks.

Q: How else can we help?

A: If you'd like to bring a camera, send any photos to [info@friendsofria.org](mailto:info@friendsofria.org). Make sure to send a separate document or email that explains each photo, with location and concerns noted.

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**Where did you walk?** (e.g. RIA NE from 4<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>) \_\_\_\_\_

### 1. Did you have room to walk?

- ☐ Yes      ☐ No, there were some problems (choose as many as you want):
- ☐ Sidewalks or paths started and stopped
  - ☐ Sidewalks were broken and/or cracked
  - ☐ Sidewalks were blocked by poles, signs, bushes, dumpsters, etc.
  - ☐ No sidewalks, paths or shoulders
  - ☐ Something else \_\_\_\_\_

Rating (circle one)    WORST ► 1          2          3          4          5 ◀ BEST

Location(s) of problems: \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. Was it easy and safe to cross streets?

- ☐ Yes      ☐ I had some problems (choose as many as you want):
- ☐ Road was too wide
  - ☐ Traffic signals made us wait too long to cross
  - ☐ Walk signal did not give us enough time to cross
  - ☐ Parked cars blocked our view of traffic
  - ☐ Trees or plants blocked our view of traffic
  - ☐ Curb ramps need to be installed or repaired
  - ☐ No crosswalks near where I wanted to cross
  - ☐ Drivers could not see me or did not stop for pedestrians
  - ☐ Something else \_\_\_\_\_

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Location(s) of problems: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Did drivers behave well?**

- ☐ Yes      ☐ No, there were some problems (choose as many as you want):
- ☐ Drivers backed out of driveways without looking
  - ☐ Drivers did not stop for pedestrians
  - ☐ Drivers did not check/stop for pedestrians when turning
  - ☐ Drivers drove too fast
  - ☐ Drivers sped up at yellow lights or ran red lights
  - ☐ Something else \_\_\_\_\_

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Location(s) of problems: \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Was your walk pleasant?**

- ☐ Yes      ☐ No, there were some problems (choose as many as you want):
- ☐ The area needs more grass, flowers, or trees
  - ☐ I generally did not feel safe walking or crossing streets
  - ☐ There were scary dogs
  - ☐ The area is not well lit (not enough or not bright enough lights)
  - ☐ The area is dirty, with lots of litter and trash
  - ☐ The air is dirty or smelly because of car exhaust
  - ☐ Something else \_\_\_\_\_

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Location(s) of problems: \_\_\_\_\_

**5. Do you think your walk could safely completed by a child, an elderly person, or a person in a wheelchair?**

- ☐ Yes      ☐ No, there were some problems (choose as many as you want):
- ☐ Sidewalks not wide enough
  - ☐ Sidewalks are too broken
  - ☐ Curb ramps (broken, or none)
  - ☐ Pedestrian signals are not long enough
  - ☐ Smaller or shorter pedestrians might not be visible
  - ☐ Not enough lighting
  - ☐ Something else \_\_\_\_\_

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Location(s) of problems: \_\_\_\_\_

**6. Please tell us about other issues, problem locations, or anything else that concerns you!**

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