

# Government of the District of Columbia

## Department of Transportation



### DDOT Bus Priority Program: Important Information for Drivers

Under Mayor Muriel Bowser's leadership, DDOT is working to improve bus travel speeds and reliability across the District through the Bus Priority Program. DDOT is implementing Car Free Lanes on several of the District's busiest transit corridors. Signage, pavement markings, and red paint will designate the lanes.

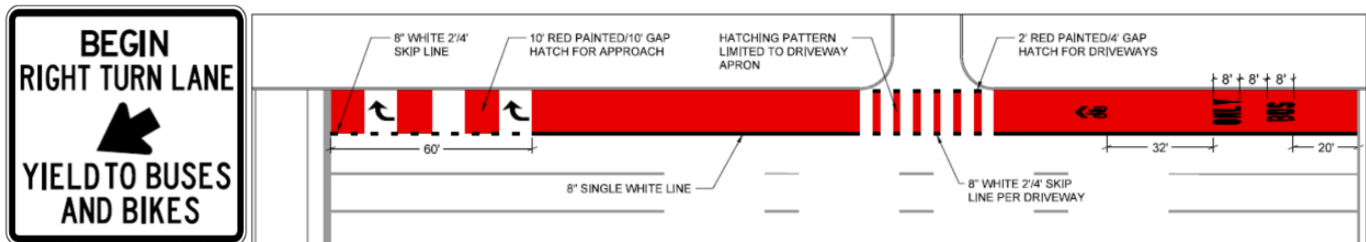
#### Navigating Car Free Lanes

Car Free Lanes are restricted to buses and bicycles. All other vehicles are prohibited from driving, stopping, or standing in these shared bus and bike lanes when they are in operation.

Vehicles are only be permitted to enter a Car Free Lane to make a turn at an intersection, alley, or driveway, as permitted by signage. To make a right turn safely, drivers should enter the Car Free Lane where authorized by signage and pavement markings. The red paint will typically be hatched to indicate where vehicles can enter the lane to make a right turn.

The fine for unauthorized vehicles driving in a Car Free Lane is \$200.

#### Making Right Turns



\*Typical bus lane with hatching where vehicles are permitted to enter the lane to turn right.

#### Bus Priority Projects

As of July 2020, DDOT has installed or plans to install Car Free Lanes in the following corridors:

- H/I Street NW
- Georgia Avenue NW between Florida Avenue and Barry Place NW
- 7th Street NW between Pennsylvania Avenue NW and Massachusetts Avenue NW (Summer 2020)
- M Street SE Half Street SE to 10th Street SE (Summer 2020)
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue SE between W Street SE to St. Elizabeths East Campus (Summer 2020)
- 14th Street NW between Euclid and Newton Streets NW (Summer 2020)
- 16th Street NW between H Street NW and Arkansas Avenue NW (Fall 2020)

For more information about Car Free Lanes and the Bus Priority Program, please visit [ddot.dc.gov/carfreelanes](https://ddot.dc.gov/carfreelanes) or [ddot.dc.gov/page/bus-priority](https://ddot.dc.gov/page/bus-priority) or email [buspriority@dc.gov](mailto:buspriority@dc.gov).