

Look Twice! Better safe than sorry

Motorcyclists face higher risks than other drivers

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The warmer weather and blue skies mean motorcycle riders are sharing the road with other drivers. In order to reach Edmonton's goal of zero traffic fatalities and serious injuries all road users need to stay alert.

"Motorcycle riders are more vulnerable to being seriously injured or killed if they're involved in a collision," says Senior Research Coordinator Laura Thue, with the City of Edmonton's Office of Traffic Safety. "Look twice before changing lanes to make sure that no one is in your blind spot. Double-check that a motorcycle isn't coming towards you before you turn. That extra check can go a long way toward preventing collisions and saving lives."

In 2015, there were 214 motorcycle collisions in Edmonton. These collisions resulted in 121 injured people, 42 of them seriously, and six fatalities. Vehicles making left-hand turns across the path of motorcycles accounted for 24 of the most devastating collisions.

"Motorcyclists need to wear protective gear all the time, adhere to the posted speed limit, and be mindful of sand and gravel on the road," says Thue. "Watch for unexpected actions by other drivers, especially at intersections."



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