

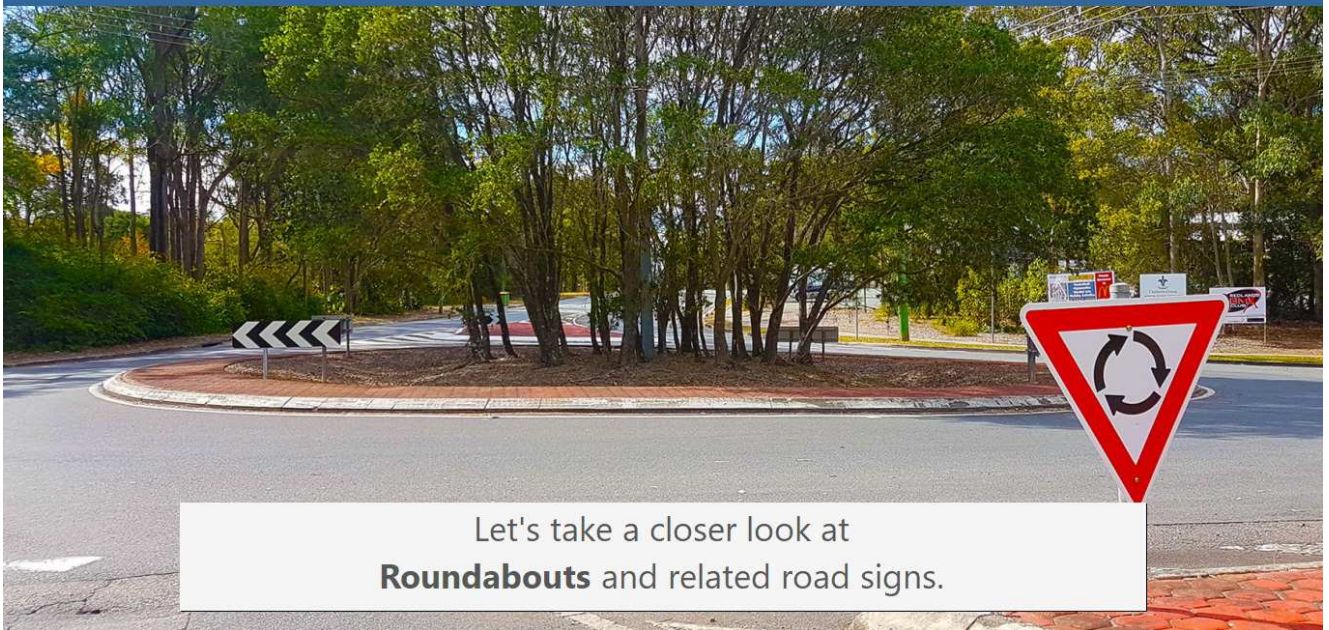
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In this lesson, we'll look at **Roundabouts**.

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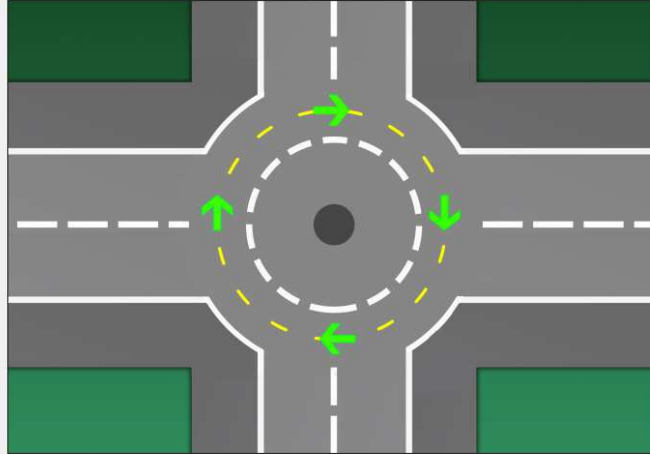
Let's take a closer look at **Roundabouts** and related road signs.

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What are Roundabouts?

Roundabouts are large circles used at intersections to control traffic.

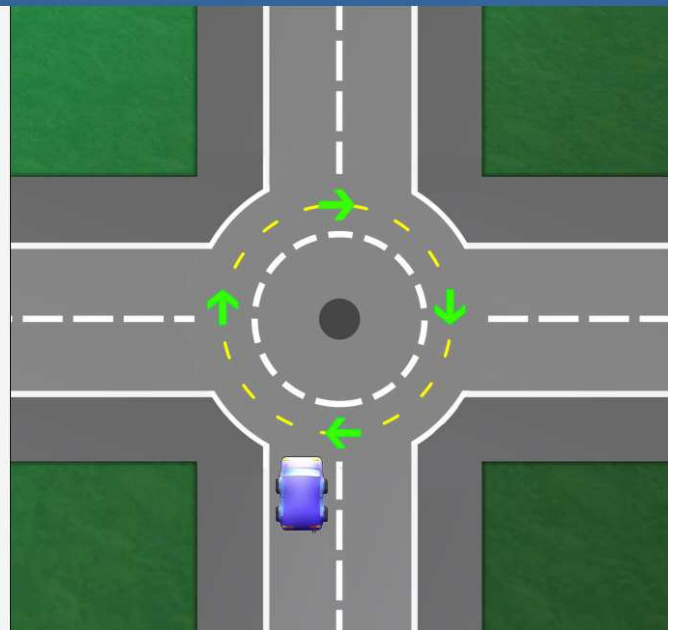


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Pictured here is a large intersection with a roundabout placed centrally. Some roundabouts have two connecting roads, others three, and some more than four.

Traffic on roundabouts flows in a clockwise direction, as indicated by the arrows.

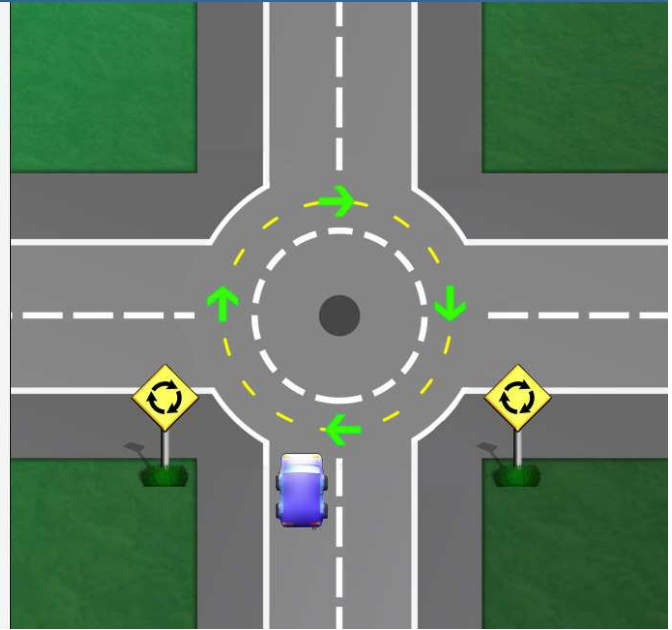
The blue car here has approached the roundabout, but not entered it as yet.



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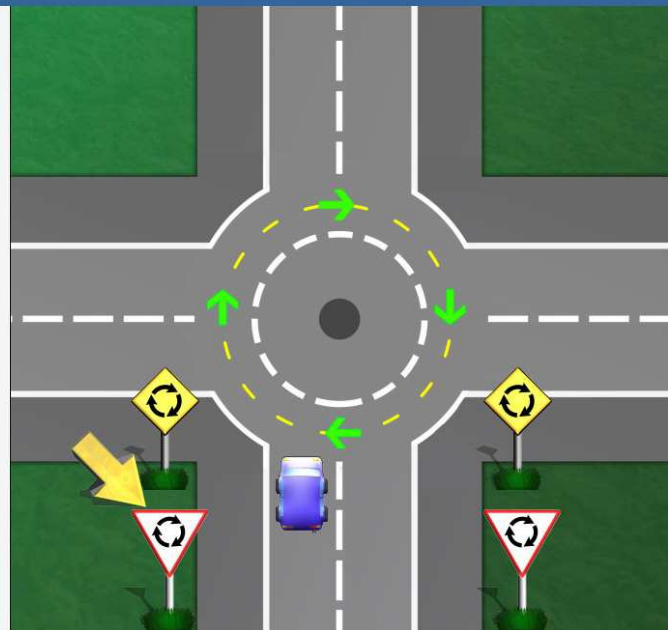
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Indicated here is the **roundabout** sign, signifying you've reached a roundabout.



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This sign indicates that you will shortly reach a roundabout.



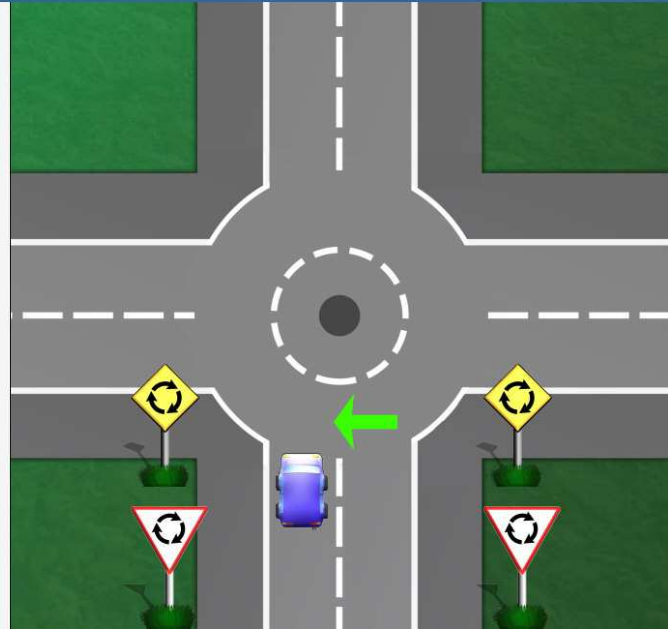
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Let's have a look at how a single car enters and uses a roundabout.

Before you enter a roundabout, you need to use your blinker to indicate which way you will be turning. Left blinker for left, right blinker for right, and no blinker if going straight through.

Our blue car here has paused at the entrance of the roundabout, checking to see if there is any other traffic already on the roundabout. Any car entering a roundabout must give way to traffic already on the roundabout. In general, this means give way to the traffic approaching from the right.



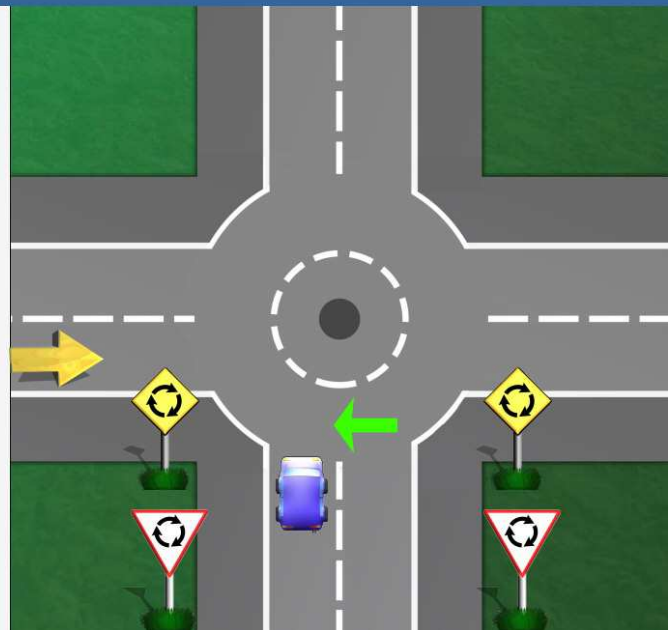
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Let's watch as the blue car makes a left turn using the roundabout.

Put your left blinker on.

First, ensure the coast is clear (i.e. there are no cars you need to give way to), and if so, enter the roundabout.

When you reach your exit from the roundabout, use your left blinker. In this case, because the left turn is so close to the roundabout entry, we just keep the left blinker on through the turn.



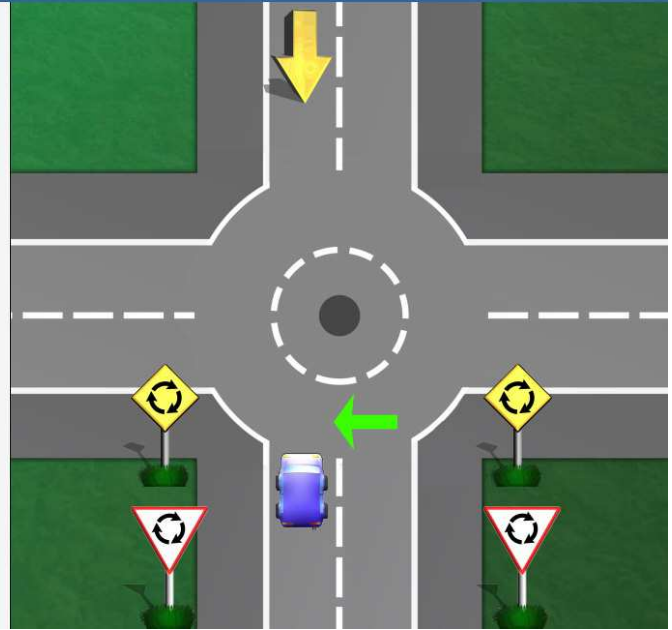
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This time, we take the same approach, but the blue car is going to travel straight ahead, and use the top exit of the roundabout.

Similar steps are followed:

- You do not need to use an indicator if going straight through.
- Give way to all vehicles on the right.
- Safely enter the roundabout and turn off your indicator.
- Stay in the same lane you entered the roundabout in.
- As you approach your exit, use your left indicator once more.

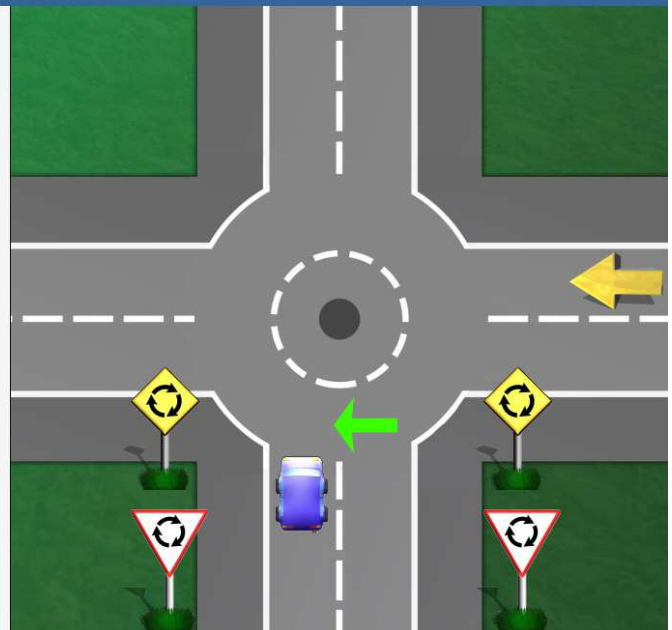


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This time, we take the same approach, but the blue car is going to turn right, and use the right-hand exit of the roundabout.

Similar steps are followed:

- Put on the right indicator to enter the roundabout.
- Give way to all vehicles on the right.
- Safely enter the roundabout and turn off your indicator.
- Stay in the same lane you entered the roundabout in.
- As you approach your exit, use your left indicator once more.

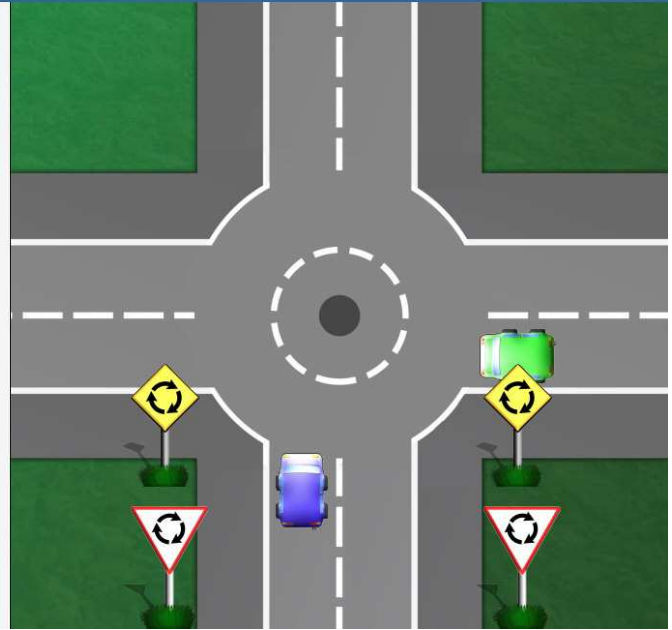


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On the next step, we are going to run this animation again, except this time the blue car will give way to the green car.

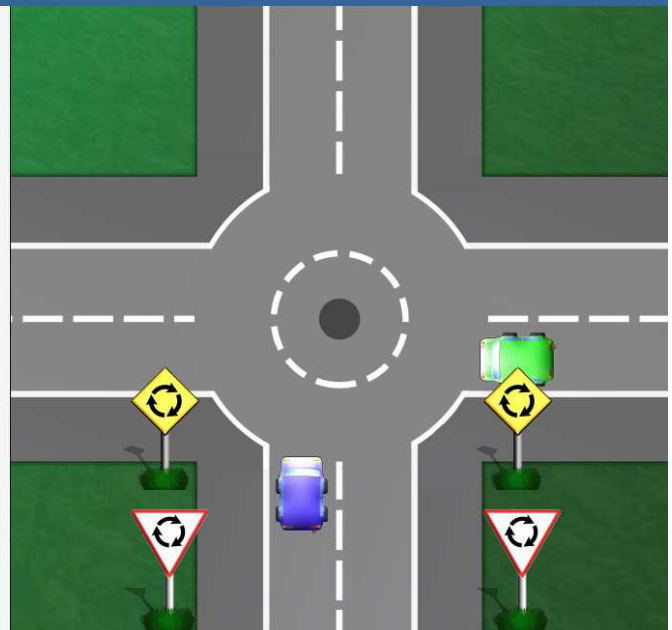
The blue car gives way here because the green car was first on the roundabout.



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Note that the blue car approaches the roundabout, stops, and gives way to the green car, as it is already on the roundabout.

Only when it is safe to enter the roundabout does the blue car do so to complete its journey.



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Fact: You can use a roundabout to make a 180 degree turn, or U-Turn. Use your right indicator to enter the roundabout, and drive all the way around it, indicating with your left blinker as you exit.

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SUMMARY

In this lesson, **Roundabouts**, we discussed:

- Roundabouts.
- What are Roundabouts?
- Roundabout Direction.
- Roundabout Sign and Roundabout Ahead.
- Indicate to Enter Roundabout.
- Left on a Roundabout, Straight Through a Roundabout, Right on a Roundabout.
- Giving Way.
- U-Turns on Roundabouts.

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