



Mini-roundabout at 116th St SE and 56th Ave SE in Snohomish County



Traffic Circle at SE Windsor Boulevard and Windsor Drive SE in Sammamish

What is a mini-roundabout?

They **ARE**...

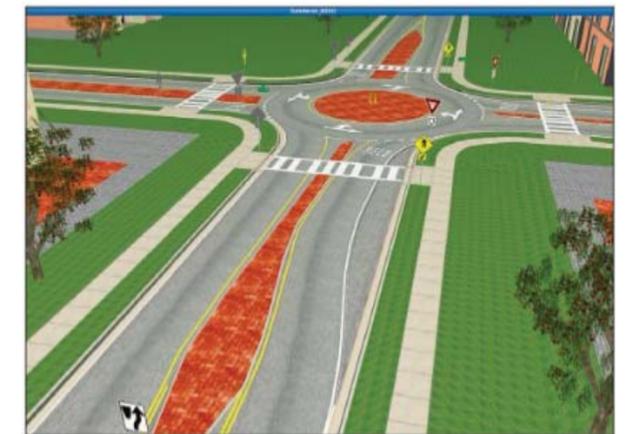
- Properly designed modern roundabouts have been demonstrating worldwide to be effective in reducing intersection crashes.
- Mini-roundabouts are small roundabouts with fully traversable central islands.
- The mini-roundabout features a much smaller inscribed diameter, 50 to 80 ft, and a relatively small circular central island (e.g., 16 ft to 45 ft diameter) that is traversable.

They are **NOT**...

- Mini-roundabouts are not traffic circles.
- Traffic circles are used as traffic calming devices for local streets to reduce speed and improved safety.

Major Difference Between Mini-Roundabouts and Traffic Circles

- Mini-roundabouts typically have some sort of splitter islands (paint or mountable curbs islands) that direct traffic into a counter-clockwise flow.
- Mini-roundabouts are striped and signed to be yield-entry.
- Traffic circles do not have splitter islands, there are no yield signs and (technically) the driver is allowed to turn left in front of the island.



Approach lane designs for 50-ft. ICD (top) and 75-ft. ICD (bottom)

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