

ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES
Vehicle speed is reduced, compared to that for another intersection type.	Vehicle traffic is yield controlled, so it does not necessarily come to a full stop. Therefore, a pedestrian can be hesitant at first to use the crosswalk.
A pedestrian has fewer conflict points than at another intersection type.	A roundabout can be unsettling to a pedestrian, depending on age, mobility, visual impairment, or ability to judge gaps in traffic.
A pedestrian is responsible for judging crossing opportunity. This is still regarded as an advantage, though it requires more alertness.	A pedestrian, at first glance, can have to adjust to roundabout operation. This includes the crosswalk location, which is behind the first stopped vehicle, or 6 m from the yield point.
The splitter-island refuge allows a pedestrian to cross entering and exiting traffic flows separately, and thus simplifies the task of crossing the roadway.	
Crossing can be accomplished with less waiting time than at a signalized intersection.	

**ROUNDBOUT ADVANTAGES AND  
DISADVANTAGES FOR PEDESTRIANS**

**Figure 51-12U**