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- Be aware of transportation patterns
- Check for dips or bumps in curb cut
- Wait at top of curb cut for "walk" signal or traffic patterns to allow for safe street crossing

Going up a curb cut:

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- Lean forward as you push/drive
- Wait until you reach level ground before changing direction

Going down a curb cut:

- Slow down and shift your weight back
- Use the center of the curb cut where it is flattest
- \odot If it is too steep the foot plate may hit the bottom of the slope
- Wait until you reach level ground before changing path of travel

Asking for assistance:



- If you do not feel safe going up or down a curb cut, ask for assistance
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