

APS SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL SIDEWALK AUDIT DATA COLLECTION FORM - FILL IN AS YOU GO!

Why are sidewalks important?

-  Provide a way to get around
-  Separate walkers from road
-  Promote walking
-  Build community





What is a Sidewalk Audit?









Sidewalk audits are a way to:

- 1) see where sidewalks are and where they're needed
- 2) "grade" your sidewalk on how comfortable it is, how safe it makes you feel, and what would make it better, safer, and more walkable!

Why do a Sidewalk Audit?

-  Sidewalks are important to everyone in the community.
-  If sidewalks aren't available or in good shape, people don't feel safe getting around.
-  Sidewalk audits help Arlington County know about neighborhood walking conditions.
-  Sidewalk audits help Arlington County plan improvements where they're needed.

What supplies do I need to do my Audit?

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|  Ruler |  Clipboard (if you have one!) |
|  Audit Form or Notebook |  Pencil |
|  Digital Camera/Phone |  An Adult or Adult's Permission |

How do I submit my Audit results?

When you've answered all the questions, you can submit your form by:

1. Scanning and sending by e-mail to HeadsUp@apsva.us
2. Taking photos of each page and sending by e-mail to HeadsUp@apsva.us
3. Typing your answers on the electronic document and sending by email to HeadsUp@apsva.us

Submit any photos by e-mail to HeadsUp@apsva.us along with your audit form

You can also enter your answers on this [Googleform](https://forms.gle/49oS7etbKJvMQv1eA)
<https://forms.gle/49oS7etbKJvMQv1eA>

Before you head out...

HEADS UP - Be safe and be seen!



Stay on the sidewalk



Look left right left before crossing the streets



Cross at crosswalks



Pay attention to your surroundings

*If you have any questions, contact
APS Safe Routes to School Coordinator at
lauren.hassel@apsva.us*

THANK YOU!

Safe Routes to School Sidewalk Audit Data Collection Project


Thank you for participating in APS Safe Routes to School
Sidewalk Audit Data Collection Project.







The information you collect and share will help Arlington County update
its sidewalk inventory and plan improvements for the future.

As a "Citizen Scientist" you and other APS students are playing an important role
in improving walkability for all ages in neighborhoods around schools -- from
Abingdon in the south to Jamestown in the north, Hoffman-Boston in the east to
Tuckahoe in the west -- and all over Arlington County!



👁️ If possible, please take photos while you are doing your 👁️
Sidewalk Audit and submit to HeadsUp@apsva.us along with this form.

QUESTION	ANSWER
Name of Your School	
Student Name First Name + Last Initial (e.g. Michael R.)	
Adult Contact E-mail Address	
Full Name of Street Where You Live (e.g. South Ivy Street) 	
Cross Street at End of Your Street (e.g. Second Street South)	
Cross Street at Other End of Your Street (e.g. Fifth Street South)	
List the address of one house or building on YOUR side of the street (e.g. 1201) (This is so we know which side of the street the sidewalk you're auditing is on.) Do NOT list your own address.	

<p>Is there a sidewalk on the block in front of your home?</p>	<p>Yes No</p>
<p>Are there sidewalks on both sides of the street? <i>Skip if no sidewalk</i></p>	<p>Yes No</p>
<p>Does the sidewalk in front of where you live continue along the entire block? <i>Skip if no sidewalk</i></p>	<p>Yes No</p>
<p>What material is the sidewalk made of? (circle one) <i>Skip if no sidewalk</i></p>	<div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Concrete</p>  <p>Brick</p>  <p>Gravel</p>  <p>Asphalt</p>  <p>Pebble</p>  <p>Pavers</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin: 0 auto;"/> <p>Other (fill in)</p> </div>

Would you be able to write on your sidewalk with sidewalk chalk?
(is it smooth)
Skip if no sidewalk



Yes



No

How wide is the widest part of the sidewalk on this block? (in inches)
Skip if no sidewalk

 _____ inches

How narrow is the narrowest part of the sidewalk on this block?
Skip if no sidewalk

 _____ inches

On a scale of 1 to 5, how would you rate the condition of the sidewalk? (are there cracks, bumps, weeds, is it even, etc.)?
Skip if no sidewalk

Circle one

Worst

1

2

3

4

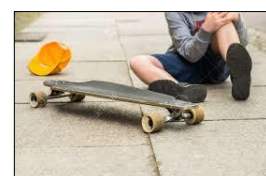
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Best

Could you easily skateboard on the sidewalk?
Skip if no sidewalk



Yes



No

**Is anything blocking the sidewalk
(e.g. tree, sign, telephone pole)?**
Skip if no sidewalk



Yes

No

**If yes, what is
blocking the sidewalk?**

**If there is NO sidewalk at all,
do you have another place on
your block to walk?**
**(e.g. Side of Street, Shoulder,
Unpaved Pathway)**

Circle one.



Side of Street



Shoulder



Unpaved Pathway



Parking Lot

Other

Overall, how safe do you feel walking on this block?

(on a scale of 0-5)

0 - No Sidewalk

1 - Unsafe

2 - Pretty Safe

3 - Safe

4- Very Safe

5 - Safe for All

Extra Credit: Google Map Link.

If you are able to, click in Google Map to pinpoint where the observations took place, then copy the Coordinates or URL / link below. For example:

"38.868969, -77.093200" or

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/299-201+S+Ivy+St,+Arlington,+VA+22204/@38.8691093,-77.09548,17z/data=!3m1!1e3!1s0x89b7b6a4a1b1357d:0xedd190d6842ce15!2sS+Ivy+St,+Arlington,+VA+22204!3b1!8m2!3d38.8662128!4d-77.092492!3m4!1s0x89b7b6a2fd0cb915:0xa3ed838532f2d849!8m2!3d38.8691092!4d-77.0932913>



Please submit any photos that document your Sidewalk Audit observations along with this form. E-mail to HeadsUp@apsva.us.



Thank you!

