

# ROUNDBOUT INFORMATION



**Size** – Roundabouts are much smaller than a Traffic Circle. This smaller size makes them safer, slower and more efficient.



**Speed** – Because of the smaller circle size in a roundabout, travel speeds are reduced to 15-20 mph. This results in a safer intersection that provides a higher capacity than a traffic circle.



**Property Impacts** – Because of the smaller size roundabouts usually require less impact to private property than a traffic circle.

## WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A ROUNDBOUT AND A TRAFFIC CIRCLE??



**Yield at Entry** – Traffic entering a roundabout must yield to traffic already in the roundabout. Many traffic circles do not follow this rule.



**Narrow Lanes** – Narrow entry, exit and circulating lanes control vehicle speeds and creates a more uniform speed through the roundabout.

Difference in Size Between Roundabouts vs. Traffic Circles.			
Roundabouts in NH		Traffic Circles in NH	
Location	Diameter (feet)	Location	Diameter (feet)
Pembroke	110	Lee Circle	250
Nashua	120	Massabesic Circle	260
Nashua	130	Epsom Circle	300
Plymouth	110	Portsmouth Circle	500
Meredith	130	Plymouth Circle	300' per side
Rye	104		