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Title 55 Motor and Other Vehicles
Chapter 8 Operation of Vehicles -- Rules of the Road
Part 1 Operation of Vehicles -- Rules of the Road

Tenn. Code Ann. § **55-8-180** (2016)

55-8-180. Pedestrians led by guide dog or carrying identifying cane given right of way -- Penalty.

(a) Whenever any pedestrian guided by a guide dog or dog on a blaze orange leash, or carrying in any raised or extended position a cane or similar stick white in color or white tipped with red, shall undertake to cross any public street or thoroughfare in this state, the driver of each and every vehicle approaching that pedestrian carrying the cane or stick or conducted by such dog shall bring such vehicle to a complete stop and before proceeding shall take all precautions necessary to avoid injuring the pedestrian; provided, that nothing in this section shall be construed as making any person totally or partially blind or otherwise incapacitated guilty of contributory negligence in undertaking to cross any street or thoroughfare without being guided by a trained dog or carrying a cane or stick of the type specified in subsection (a).

(b) A violation of this section is a Class C misdemeanor.