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Horses Painted Like Zebras

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Moscow traffic police will paint a number of horses and ponies as zebras and take them across five of the city's busiest crosswalks Friday, Interfax reported.

The event, a play on crosswalks' international nickname, "Zebra," is supposed to draw attention to public safety during the new school season, which started Sept. 1, traffic police said.

Police did not specify the number of painted horses and ponies that it will place on the streets but said the paint would not endanger the animals' health. Children will get a chance to ride the painted ungulates, but not on crosswalks, it added.

The horses will be dispatched to crosswalks on Smolenskaya Ploshchad, Bolshaya Pirogovskaya Ulitsa, Novocheryomushkinskaya Ulitsa, Komsomolsky Prospekt and Universitetsky Prospekt. ⊠

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