# Hierarchy of Transport Modes

The MfS1 recommends to *'apply a user hierarchy to the design process with pedestrians at the top'*, whereby vulnerable road users should be considered before all other modes of transport when designing a residential development. A well-though-out development must priorities the safety of vulnerable users and must be easily accessible for all travel modes in order for it to be considered as sustainable. The diagram below displays the hierarchy of transport modes which aids a balanced approach to all users in a residential street.

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| **Consider First** | **Pedestrians** |
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| ↓ | **Cyclists** |
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| | **Public Transport Users** |
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| | **Specialist Service Vehicles (E.g. Emergency Services, Refuse)** |
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| **Consider Last** | **Other Motor Traffic** |