

LOOK AND LISTEN



USE YOUR SENSES

RIDE SAFE



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## TIPS FOR A SAFE BIKE RIDE

**Ride with traffic.** Go with the flow, not against it. Riding the wrong way is the leading cause of bike collisions.

**Avoid riding your bike near traffic,** if you don't know the rules of the road.

**Obey all traffic laws.** Stop at all stop signs and red lights.

**Be predictable.** Ride in a straight line, not swerving in and out between parked cars. Use hand signals when turning or stopping.

**Stay as far to the right as is safe** and reasonable, except when passing, turning left, or to avoid road hazards.

**Don't block the road.** Allow faster traffic to pass when it's safe. Riding side by side with other bicyclists is legal, but be courteous, ride in a single line when cars are trying to pass.

**Increase your visibility.** Wear bright and reflective materials. Use lights and reflectors at night.

**Watch for parked cars.** Drivers may not see you and pull out suddenly or open a car door in your path.

**Value your life:** Wear a helmet! It's the law for everyone under 18.

**Make eye contact.** Make sure the motorist sees you. Acknowledge others with a nod or a smile.

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RIDE WITH RESPECT  
AND COURTESY TO OTHERS.  
YOUR ACTIONS REFLECT ON  
THE ENTIRE BIKING COMMUNITY.

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