



Same Roads, Same Rights - Same Responsibilities

A bicyclist shares the same rights and responsibilities as a motorist. An bicyclist has been educated to ride safely, yet many drivers do not share the same level of respect. It's up to each of us to stay safe and responsible when interacting with other road users.

Ride Safely

Use your hand - When in doubt, use a system from hand signals to make sure other drivers know where you're going before they start moving or turn into your path.

Wear reflective clothing. Be seen when riding in low light conditions.

Be alert. Use your mirrors to keep an eye on approaching traffic from all directions. Always keep your head up and stay aware of other drivers, vehicles, and obstacles.

Watch for a predictable straight line of travel. Drivers expect to see a straight line of travel. If a car seems to zig-zag or if other motorists appear to be swerving, it may be time to take a different route.

Take the space you need. Before a car turns right or if other motorists appear to be swerving, it may be time to take a different route.

Use caution riding over train tracks and storm grates. Approach tracks at a 90-degree angle. Avoid riding over storm grates that can trap your wheel.

Respect others. You have a choice. Drivers expect others to travel through a roundabout like a motor vehicle. If you expect others to do the same, then take the time to do the same.

Obey all traffic laws. Make sure to yield to oncoming traffic, even if you're not at a stop sign or intersection.

Always ride in the same direction as traffic.

Obey traffic lights, stop signs, and all other traffic control devices.

Signal before making turns, changing lanes, slowing down, or stopping.

Cycling two abreast is legal, but blocking the flow of traffic is not.

Wait for their right to be safe and proceed.

Respect safety and personal boundaries. Drivers and bicyclists are entitled to a certain degree of right of way in the general purpose shared zone.

Watch everything other vehicles, including cars on the left. You don't want to be hit by a car that's coming from the left.

Adults are responsible for their children obeying traffic laws. Don't let minors out onto the street without supervision.

Lights are required when riding during hours of darkness. You must have a front white light and a rear red light. Reflector cones are not required, but are recommended for visibility.

Respect cycling on sidewalks. If you must use a sidewalk, please do so with caution and respect. Don't expect a driver to turn around and leave the sidewalk. Turn with your bicycle as intended.

Be Courteous on Trails

Move right. Please use the belt. This is the most common trail courtesy for shared trails.

Give way to your approach. Slow down and merge onto the trail when approaching another trail user.

Adjust your speed around vulnerable users. Slow down to avoid collisions with children, pets, and other trail users.

Park your bicycle on racks or designated areas, not on the trail or near other people's equipment.

Open your helmet and say hello to everyone. Make sure your child's helmet fits and is adjusted correctly.

Bike Shops & Repair

Local Businesses	Business Information
1 Evergreen Bike Shop (EBS)	1111 10th Ave S, Olympia, WA 98504 (360) 756-2222
2 Sports Authority - West Olympia	1000 10th Ave S, Olympia, WA 98504 (360) 756-2222
3 REI Olympia	1000 10th Ave S, Olympia, WA 98504 (360) 756-2222
4 Falstaff's Bicycle Center	1000 10th Ave S, Olympia, WA 98504 (360) 756-2222
5 Old Town Bicycle	1000 10th Ave S, Olympia, WA 98504 (360) 756-2222
6 Deschutes River Cyclery - Olympia	1000 10th Ave S, Olympia, WA 98504 (360) 756-2222
7 Deschutes River Cyclery - Tumwater	1000 10th Ave S, Olympia, WA 98504 (360) 756-2222
8 Bike Tech	1000 10th Ave S, Olympia, WA 98504 (360) 756-2222
9 Joy Ride Bikes	1000 10th Ave S, Olympia, WA 98504 (360) 756-2222
10 Sports Authority - Lacey	1000 10th Ave S, Olympia, WA 98504 (360) 756-2222

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