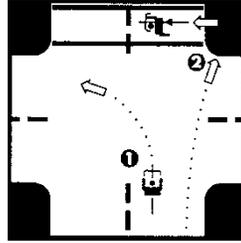


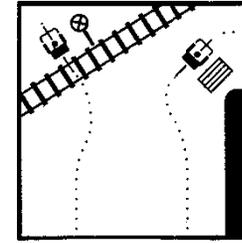
OBEY ALL REGULATORY SIGNS AND TRAFFIC LIGHTS

Bicyclists have all the rights and responsibilities as drivers of motor vehicles. Navigate traffic in a way that's predictable for drivers, pedestrians, and other cyclists.



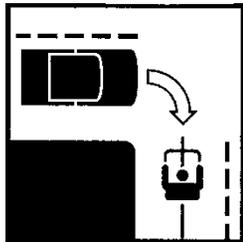
CHOOSE THE BEST WAY TO TURN LEFT

There are two ways to make a left turn: 1) Look back, signal, move into the left lane, and turn left; 2) Ride straight to the far-side crosswalk, then walk your bike across.



AVOID ROAD HAZARDS

Watch out for sewer grates, slippery manhole covers, oily pavement, gravel and ice. Cross railroad tracks at right angles. For better control across bumps and other hazards, stand up on your pedals.



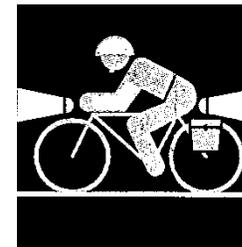
ALWAYS RIDE WITH TRAFFIC

Motorists are not looking for bicyclists riding on the wrong side of the road. Ride with traffic to avoid potential accidents.



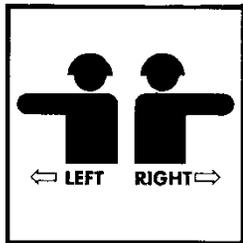
YIELD TO PEDESTRIANS

Pedestrians have the right-of-way on shared trails. Give them an audible warning when you pass. You cannot ride on sidewalks in business districts or if you are over 14.



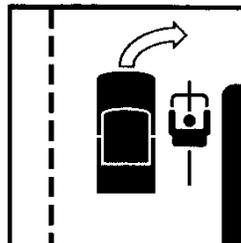
RIDE A WELL-EQUIPPED BIKE

Be sure your bike is adjusted to fit you properly. Outfit it with a fenders and a rack to carry bike bags. A water bottle and tool kit are good additions too. Always use a strong headlight and taillight at night and in poor visibility.



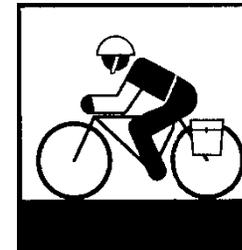
USE HAND SIGNALS

Hand signals tell motorists what you intend to do. Point in the direction you intend to turn. Signal as a matter of courtesy, safety and as required by law.



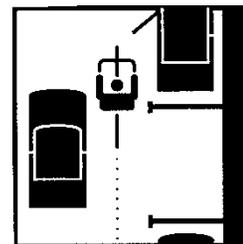
ALWAYS PASS ON THE LEFT

Motorists do not expect a bicyclist to pass on the right, and they may not see you if you do so. Pass on the left side of vehicles to avoid scenarios like those depicted here.



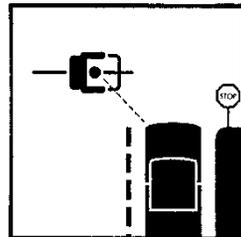
DRESS APPROPRIATELY

Wear a helmet whenever you ride. Bright clothes aid visibility, so wear light-colored clothes at night. Also, Montana's changing weather demands preparedness. Wear gloves, head coverings and jackets when biking in the winter.



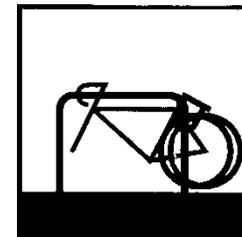
RIDE IN A STRAIGHT LINE

Whenever possible, ride in a straight line. Keep to the right of traffic and leave a car door's width between you and parked cars.



WATCH FOR CARS PULLING OUT

Make eye contact with drivers. Assume they do not see you until you are sure they do.



LOCK YOUR BIKE

Buy the best locking system you can afford: no lock is as expensive as a new bike. Lock the frame and rear wheel to a fixed object such as a bike rack. Avoid locking your bike to urban trees.