

SAFETY TIPS FOR MOTORISTS

BE PATIENT. If the lane is too narrow, if there's oncoming traffic, or if you don't have enough visibility to pass a cyclist don't.

REDUCE YOUR SPEED WHEN APPROACHING A BICYCLE. Even if there's a bike lane, an opening car door (for example) may cause the rider to swerve into traffic.

DON'T HONK. You could startle the rider. Make eye contact and, if you make a mistake, everyone loves a courtesy wave.

BE EXTRA CAUTIOUS OF CHILDREN. They can be even more unpredictable and less aware of the dangers around them.

BICYCLE FACILITIES



TRAIL. Physically separated from roads, trails and side paths are accessible two-way paths designated for use by both bicyclists and pedestrians.



BUFFERED BIKE LANE. Travels adjacent to the curb with a painted buffer separating cyclists from moving vehicles. No vehicle parking is allowed.



CONVENTIONAL BIKE LANE. Travels between the parking lane and driving lane, sometimes adjacent to the curb when parking is not allowed.



SIGNED ROUTE. Located on low-speed streets that do not have a dedicated bike lane to provide an on-street route between designated facilities or destinations.

SAFETY TIPS FOR CYCLISTS

BE PREDICTABLE. Don't weave in and out of traffic. Be aware of traffic around you.

WEAR A HELMET EVERY TIME YOU RIDE. Put your phone away. Texting or talking while riding takes your eyes and ears off the road.

DO WHAT YOU CAN TO BE SEEN. In addition to your lights, wearing something bright or reflective is a good idea.

BE MINDFUL OF MOBILITY-IMPAIRED PERSONS. Be predictable and respectful. Exercise caution and yield to pedestrians.

USE A BELL TO SIGNAL PRESENCE. Alert drivers, pedestrians and other cyclists to your presence with a bell or by announcing.



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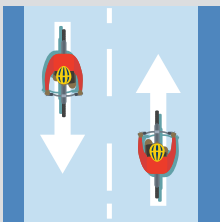
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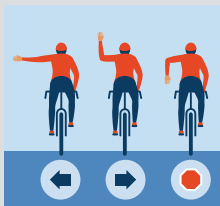
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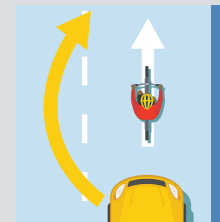
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GO WITH THE FLOW.
Bike in the direction of traffic.
§551.103



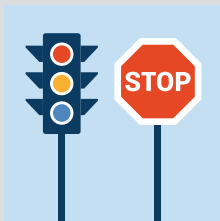
LOOK, SIGNAL & LOOK AGAIN. Use hand signals to let drivers and other bicyclists know where you're going. Look and make eye contact. Don't assume drivers will stop. §545.107



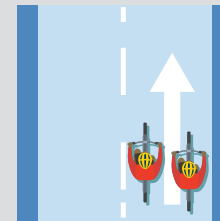
BIKES MAY USE FULL LANE. Cyclists may use the full outside travel lane if it is too narrow for a bicycle and vehicle to safely travel side by side. If the lane is wide (14 ft+), ride near the curb. §551.103a



STAY VISIBLE. Use a white headlight and red taillight at night or in low-light conditions.
§551.104b



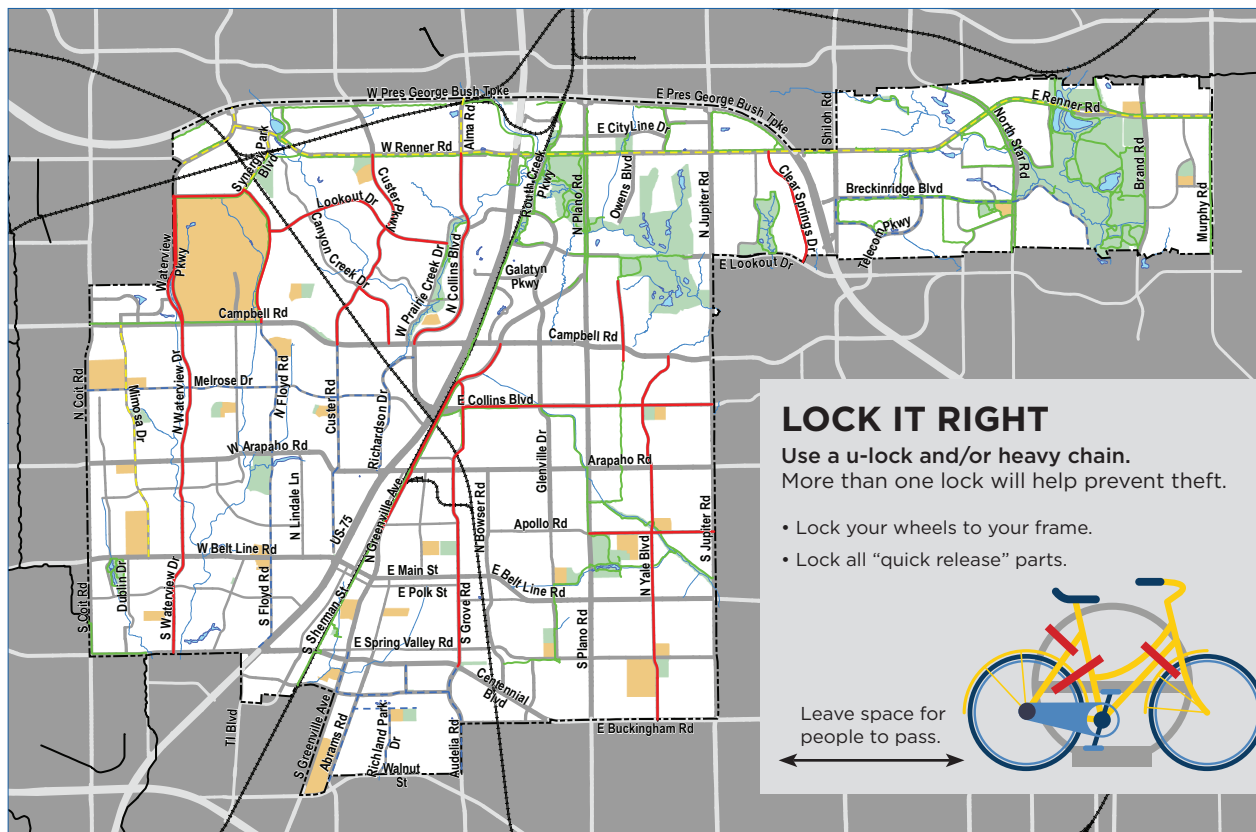
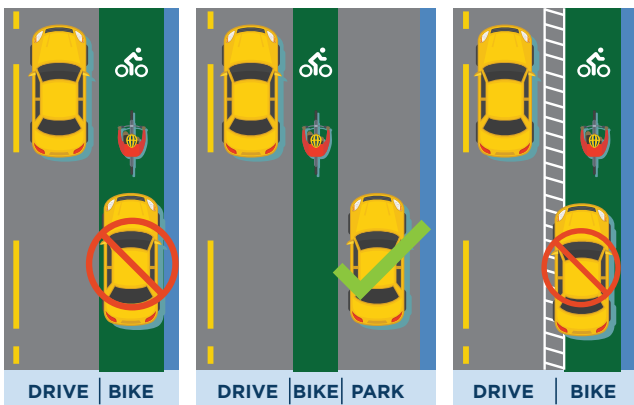
OBEY ALL TRAFFIC LAWS & LIGHTS. A person riding a bicycle has the same rights and duties applicable to a driver operating a vehicle.
§551.101



RIDE IN PAIRS. Cyclists may ride up to two abreast in a single lane. §551.103c

DO NOT DRIVE OR PARK IN BIKE LANES

Keep Richardson's streets safe by only parking in designated areas.



LOCK IT RIGHT

Use a u-lock and/or heavy chain.
More than one lock will help prevent theft.

- Lock your wheels to your frame.
- Lock all "quick release" parts.

Leave space for people to pass.