

Bicycles & Traffic

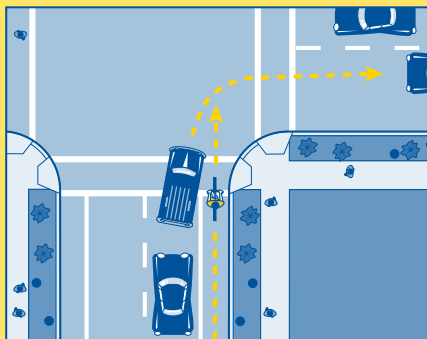
In Colorado, motorists and bicyclists share the road. Both have equal rights and responsibilities to obey all traffic laws.

Bicycle drivers who violate traffic laws will be subject to the same penalties as drivers of motor vehicles, except that no penalty points shall be assessed against the bicyclist's driver's license.

If a bicycle rider is stopped for a traffic violation and the officer has reason to believe that the bicyclist will not appear in court or the officer is unsure of the bicyclist's identity, the officer may arrest the bicyclist and require the bicyclist to post bond.

MOTOR VEHICLE DRIVING TIPS:

- Allow at least three feet between your vehicle and the bicycle to avoid blowing the bicyclist out of control or off the road.
- Be patient and wait until it is safe to pass, as you would any other slow-moving vehicle. Be aware that when a road is too narrow for cars and bikes to ride safely side by side, bicyclists can legally ride in or near the center of the lane for more visibility and safety.
- Please don't honk your horn. You could startle the cyclist into an accident.
- Look to your right before turning to avoid cutting off a cyclist.



Don't cut off a bicyclist when making a right turn.



Don't be a Road Hog. Share the Road.

Whether you're on a mission to get from Point A to Point B on foot, or in your car; or your mission is to soak up spectacular Colorado scenery on a Sunday bike ride, be respectful and considerate of everyone's rights to our roadways.

You can help cut down on Colorado's pesky Road Hog population.

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Focus. Avoid using cell phones and other personal devices while driving, biking, or walking.

MOTORISTS

Keep your eye on cyclists and pedestrians. They have a right to use all the roads in Colorado unless expressly prohibited. Keep track of them in your rear and side mirrors. Slow down.

PEDESTRIANS

Cross in crosswalks. Make eye contact with drivers before crossing to ensure they see you. Walk against traffic.

CYCLISTS

Ride with the flow of traffic. Obey traffic laws – you're a vehicle too. Ride single file whenever possible.

We all walk, bike and drive. Let's all share the road.