# A GREAT ALTERNATIVE TO DRIVING

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# OBEY ALL REGULATORY SIGNS

Bicycles must be driven like other motor vehicles if they are to be taken seriously by motorists.

#### GO SLOW ON SIDEWALKS

Pedestrians have the right-of-way on walkways. By law, you must give them an audible warning when you pass. Cross driveways and intersections at a walker's pace and look carefully for traffic (especially traffic turning right.) No cycling or skateboarding on sidewalks in the Central Business District.

#### NEVER RIDE AGAINST TRAFFIC

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

#### WATCH FOR CARS PULLING OUT

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

#### USE HAND SIGNALS

Hand signals tell motorists what you intend to do. For turn signals, point in the direction of your turn.

### RIDE IN A STRAIGHT LINE

Whenever possible, ride in a straight line, to the right of traffic, and about a car door width away from parked cars.

#### AVOID ROAD HAZARDS

Watch out for storm drain grates, slippery manhole covers, oily pavement, gravel, and ice. Cross Railroad tracks at right angles. For better control as you move across bumps and other hazards, stand up on your pedals.

#### RIDE A WELL-EQUIPPED BIKE

Be sure your bike is adjusted to fit you properly. Outfit it with a water bottle, tool kit, fenders (for rainy rides), and bike bags. Always use a strong headlight and tail light at night and when visibility is poor.



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