

About this map

This map was developed by the Natural Resources Services (NRS) Division of the Redwood Community Action Agency.

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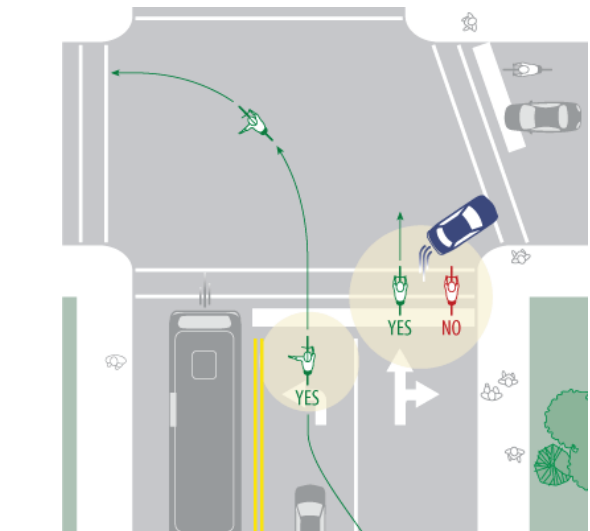
Cyclists must make their own evaluation of traffic and road conditions, and plan routes appropriate to their riding skills, weather, and riding conditions. The State of California, Humboldt County, and respective cities on whose streets, roads, and bicycle facilities you may travel are not responsible for your safety nor for facility standards. Users of this map bear full responsibility for their own safety as well as for the results of their own negligence.



Share the Road - Safely

Most Common Collisions are Preventable

Intersections



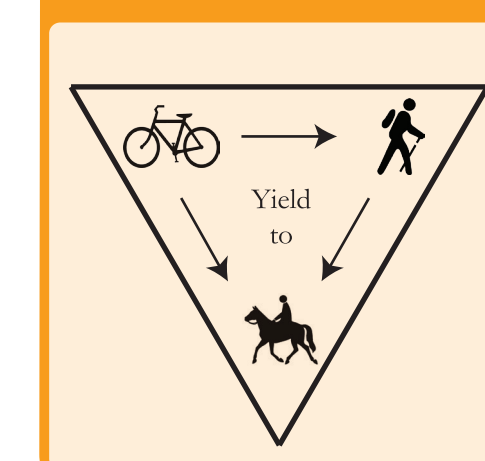
To cross an intersection, use the lane farthest to the right that points to where you are going.

Riding with Traffic



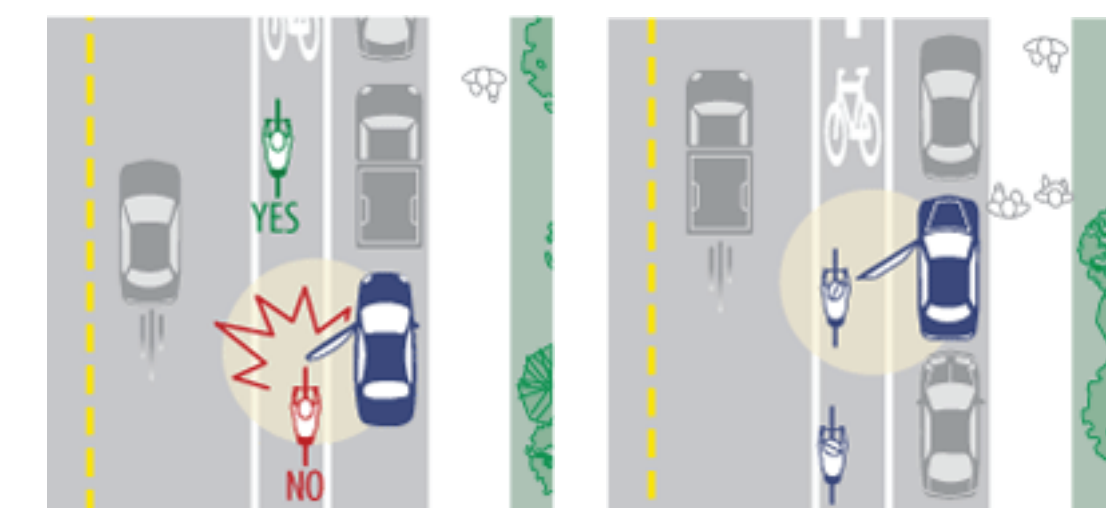
Take the entire lane if lanes are narrow or if traveling the same speed as other vehicles.

Trail Etiquette



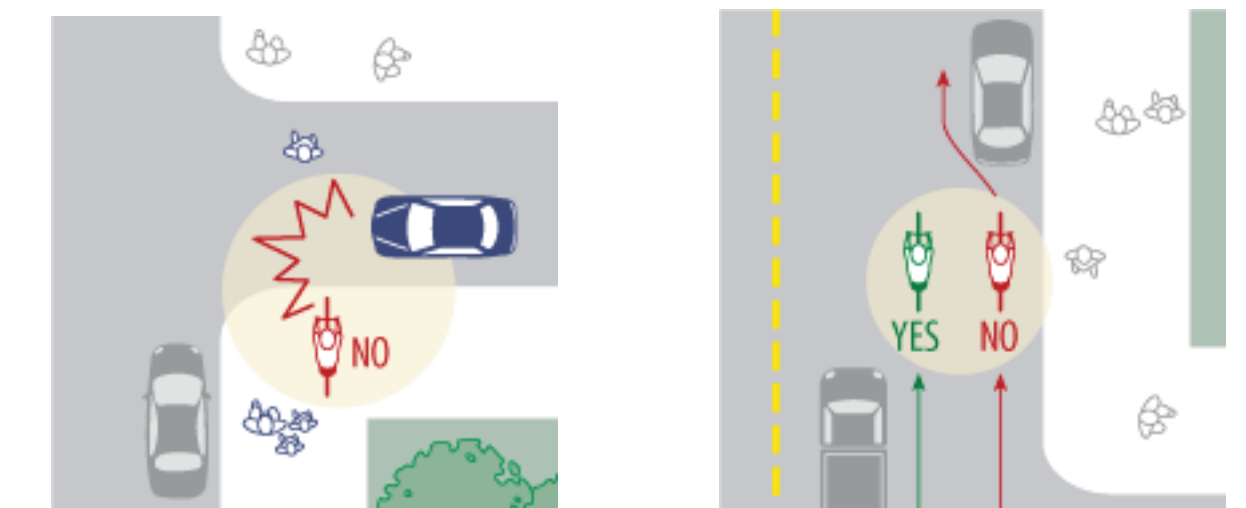
Never ride against traffic. Neither motorists or cyclists expect you to be riding against traffic.

The 'Door Zone'



Whenever possible, ride outside of the 'door zone' and be alert to sudden door activity of parked cars.

General Tips



Avoid riding on the sidewalk. Drivers do not expect bikes there. Ride in a straight line. Be predictable.

Bikes on Buses

Taking your bike on the bus is convenient and easy!

Redwood Transit System provides bus service along the US 101 corridor. Bike racks are available on buses that travel between the cities of Rio Dell, Fortuna, Eureka, Arcata, Trinidad, and Willow Creek.

Passengers are responsible for loading, securing, and unloading their own bikes. Bikes should be loaded and unloaded quickly to avoid delaying the bus on its schedule.

For more information about bikes on buses, please ask your driver or visit www.hta.org



"Sharrows"

"Sharrows" are typically located in the center of preferred bike route lanes to indicate that bicycles and motor vehicles should equally share the road and that a bicyclist may use the full lane. Sharrows are designated as a bike route/Class III facility.



US 101 Safety Corridor Tips



- Ride with a friend
- Always ride single file
- Ride far to the right as practicable
- Ride on sidewalk for northbound Eureka Slough bridges
- Use caution merging past on and offramps
- Make eye contact with drivers turning left onto highway
- Watch for debris along shoulder
- Use bright front and back lights at night

North Coast Bike Organizations & Events

Humboldt Bay Bicycle Commuters Association

www.humbike.org
Promotes bicycle commuting through public events and the media and works with government and local agencies to promote bicycle safety and to identify and secure bicycling improvements and maintenance.

Humboldt Trails Council

www.humtrails.org
The Humboldt Trails Council serves as a unified voice to support development and use of trails for recreation and transportation throughout Humboldt County.

Redwood Coast Mountain Bike Association

www.redwoodcoastmtb.org
RCMBA is dedicated to promoting cycling and building and maintaining sustainable trails in the Northern California region.

Tour of the Unknown Coast

www.tucycle.org
Join a 10, 50, 67 or 100 mile ride through the coastal mountains of Southern Humboldt in May. Event is organized as a non-profit with proceeds benefiting non-profits and residents of Humboldt County.

Kinetic Sculpture Race

www.kineticgrandchampionship.com
Human-powered works of art (designed to travel on road, sand and water) race around Humboldt Bay for a three-day Memorial weekend event.



Bike Shops & Services

Arcata

- Adventure's Edge 707-822-4673
650 10th St. (Between F & G)
- Pacific Outfitters 707-822-0321
737 G St., between 7th and 8th
- Revolution Bicycles 707-822-2562
1593 G St. (at 16th St.)

Eureka

- Revolution Bicycles 707-443-9861
2811 F St. (at Henderson St.)
- Pacific Outfitters 707-443-6328
1600 5th St. (Corner of Myrtle Ave.)
- Sport & Cycle 707-444-9274
1621 Broadway (at Wabash)
- Adventure's Edge 707-445-1711
125 West 5th St. (at Commercial)

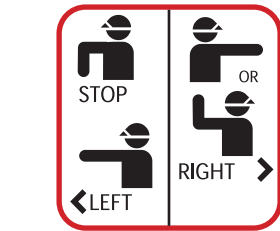


Rules of the Road (Laws that Affect You)

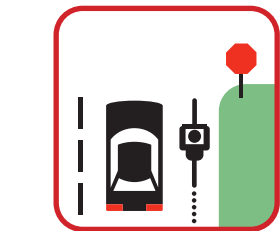
Be Predictable & Communicate

- * COMMUNICATING PREDICTABLY MAY MAKE YOU AVOIDABLE
- * NEVER RIDE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS
- * ALWAYS KEEP BOTH HANDS READY TO BRAKE

According to state law, cyclists have the same rights and responsibilities as motorists and are subject to all motor vehicle laws.



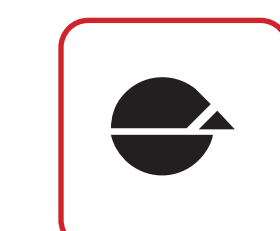
USE HAND SIGNALS
Signal all turns, lane changes, and stops ahead of time, shoulder check, then make your intended move only when safe to do so.



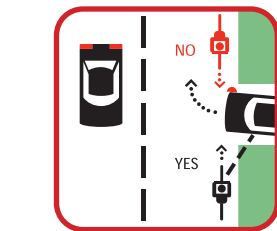
OBEY TRAFFIC SIGNS AND SIGNALS
As a vehicle, bicycles must obey all the rules of the road. Cyclists have the same privileges and responsibilities as other traffic.



USE LIGHTS AT NIGHT
Use a strong white headlight and red taillight in addition to reflectors and reflective clothes. See and be seen.



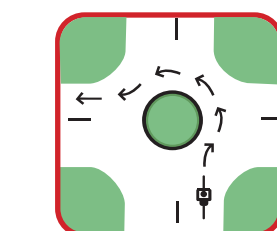
WEAR A HELMET
Helmets dramatically reduce the risk of head injury. People 18 and under are required to wear a helmet that complies with American National Standards Institute.



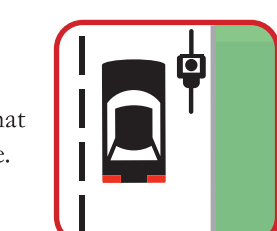
RIDE WITH TRAFFIC
Motorists, pedestrians and other cyclists do not expect you to ride against traffic and chances of an accident greatly increases.



PEDESTRIANS HAVE RIGHT-OF-WAY
Pass pedestrians on the left and let them know early that you are approaching with an audible signal such as a bell or verbal cue.



HOW TO RIDE A ROUNDABOUT
Roundabouts treat motorists and cyclists equally. Cyclists should take the lane and ride counterclockwise and yield to traffic in the circle when entering the roundabout.



RIDE ON THE RIGHT SIDE
A paved shoulder or right four feet of a roadway is often safest. Move to the center of the lane when:
• approaching an intersection or turning left
• riding next to parked cars
• avoiding obstacles or hazards
• lanes are very narrow
• its too dangerous to allow vehicles to pass
• approaching a sharp curve and need the visibility

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Bike Hazards in the Road:

To help make roads safer for yourself and for fellow cyclists, contact the following offices to report specific hazards and their exact location:

- City of Arcata Public Works 707-822-5957
- City of Eureka Public Works 707-441-4203
- City of Fortuna Public Works 707-725-7615
- State Highways, Caltrans (i.e. Hwys 101, 255, 299, 200) 707-445-5327
- Humboldt County Public Works ... 707-445-7421
- Hammond Trail, County Parks & Recreation 707-839-2086

