2012 NEW ORLEANS BIKE MAP — AND GUIDE TO SAFE CYCLING

FOLLOW THE RULES OF THE ROAD
Cyclists must obey traffic signals. (R.S. 32:222) and come to a complete stop at stop signs. (R.S. 32:123)

BE BRIGHT!
Cyclists must use bike lights and reflectors at night—white for the front, red for the back. (R.S. 32:329.3)

RESPECT VEHICLE AND PEDESTRIAN RIGHT-OF-WAY
For example, when exiting from a driveway or alley, cyclists should yield to pedestrians & oncoming traffic. (R.S. 32:124)

RIDE ON THE ROAD
Unless you are under the age of 15, let pedestrians rule the sidewalks—we ask them to keep bike lanes clear for bikes! (Sec 154-1416)

USE THE COPENHAGEN LEFT OR BOX TURN
At large intersections, instead of merging across traffic to make a left turn, ride through the intersection on the right, stop and turn your bike, and proceed with caution obeying traffic lights.

PICK YOUR ROUTE
By planning ahead you can make your ride safer and smoother.

BE BRIGHT!
Use hand signals when you are turning and stopping. (R.S. 32:108)

BE PREDICTABLE
Use hand signals when you are turning and stopping. (R.S. 32:108)

TRAVEL IN A STRAIGHT LINE
Travel in a straight line and take the lane if need be. Be visible on the road, do not weave in and out of parked cars or ride between lanes of moving traffic.

USE CAUTION WHEN CROSSING TRACKS
When riding over rails, ride at a 90 degree angle. (R.S. 32:148)

USE THE BUS TO EXTEND YOUR ROUTE
There is no additional cost or pass needed to use the bicycle racks on buses.

PROTECT YOUR HEAD
Helmets are required for people under the age of 12, and a smart idea for everyone else. (R.S. 32:193)

EMERGENCY INFORMATION
In case of a crash, call 911. If your bicycle is stolen, call the NOPD at 504.821.2222. Report your incident to Bike Easy: bikeeasy.org/map/

BE A RIDE IN THE DIRECTION OF TRAFFIC
Ride as near right as practicable. (R.S. 32:197)

BE AWARE OF BLIND SPOTS
Stay far enough ahead or far enough back from motorists to be visible, especially at intersections where they could turn right across your path.

BE AWARE
Check for approaching bicyclists before opening your car door. (R.S. 32:283)

BE A FRIENDLY MOTORIST

— BE A —

SMART CYCLIST

Bikes are Vehicles
Bicycles on the roadway have all the same rights and responsibilities as motor vehicles. (R.S. 32:194)

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FRIENDLY MOTORIST

Pass Safely
When passing a bicyclist, use care and provide at least 3 feet. (R.S. 32:76.1)

Be Respectful
Don’t harass bicyclists by yelling or honking. (R.S. 32:201)

Keep Bike Lanes Clear
Motorists have their own lanes. Entering a bike lane is only permissible when:
• preparing to turn at an intersection
• entering or leaving a roadway or private roadway or alley
• entering or leaving a street parking space
If you need to enter a bike lane, yield to cyclists. (R.S. 32:203)

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