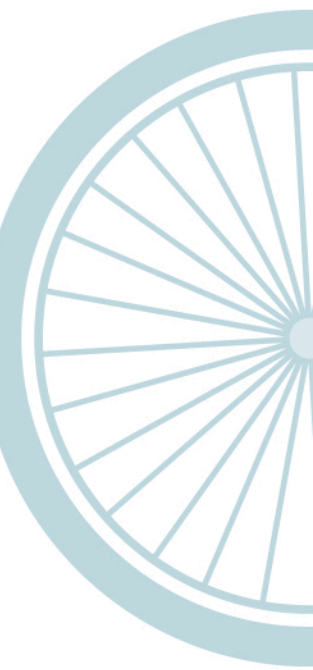




New protected lanes are being installed around the city to promote safety.

For more information on keeping bicycling easy, safe, and fun in New Orleans:

nola.gov/transportation
norpc.org/bike.html
bikeeasy.org



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) R.S.: Louisiana Revised Statutes Sec: New Orleans Code of Ordinances



FOLLOW THE RULES OF THE ROAD

(R.S. 32:232) and come to a complete stop at stop signs. (R.S. 32:123)



RIDE IN THE DIRECTION OF TRAFFIC

Ride as near right as practicable (safe). (R.S. 32:197)



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)



USE THE COPENHAGEN LEFT OR BOX TURN

At large intersections, instead of a left turn, ride through the intersection on the right, stop and turn your bike, and proceed with caution obeying traffic lights.



PROTECT YOUR HEAD

Helmets are required for people under the age of 12, and a smart idea for everyone else. (R.S. 32:199)



BE BRIGHT!

Cyclists must use bike lights and reflectors at night: white for the front, red for the back. (R.S. 32:329.1)



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)



BE PREDICTABLE

Use hand signals when you are turning and stopping. (R.S. 32:106)



SIGNAL A STOP

Extend your left arm down.



SIGNAL A LEFT TURN

Extend your left arm straight out.



SIGNAL A RIGHT TURN

Extend your right arm straight out.



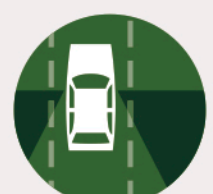
PICK YOUR ROUTE

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



USE THE BUS TO EXTEND YOUR ROUTE

There is no additional cost or pass needed to use the bicycle racks on buses.



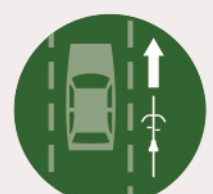
BE AWARE OF BLIND SPOTS

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



USE CAUTION WHEN CROSSING TRACKS

When riding over rails, ride at a 90 degree angle.



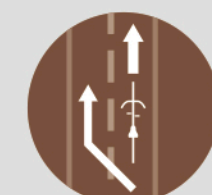
TRAVEL IN A STRAIGHT LINE

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.

TRAIL ETIQUETTE

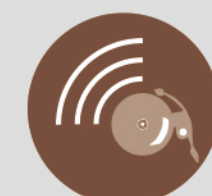
Trails are a shared space with people walking, running, bicycling, skating, and more. People riding bicycles should always yield to slower trail users to create a safe and pleasant environment.

Levee trails also serve as access roads for levee maintenance and operations. All trail users should be prepared to yield the right-of-way and stop as needed for authorized levee board vehicles.



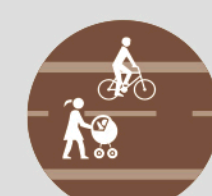
RIDE TO THE RIGHT, PASS ON THE LEFT

Ride to the right side of the trail and pass slower trail users on their left.



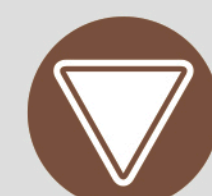
GIVE AN AUDIBLE SIGNAL WHEN PASSING

Give a clear signal, with a bell or your voice, when approaching and passing other trail users.



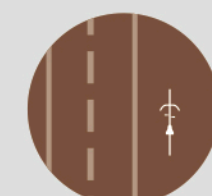
RIDE AT SAFE SPEEDS

Trails are a shared space. Ride at safe speeds, especially in crowded areas and around slower users.



OBSERVE POSTED SIGNS

Bicycle riders must follow traffic signs, just the same as when riding on the road.



DON'T BLOCK THE TRAIL

If you need to stop, always move off the trail so you don't block others from passing.



BE ALERT AT INTERSECTIONS

Trails often cross roadways and driveways. Remain alert at these crossings and follow any traffic signs at the intersections.

BE A 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 to a 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)



BE AWARE

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



SHARED LANES

Expect to see bicycles, they ride here.



Tulane Avenue protected bicycle lanes



Vendome Place green bike box and median crossing

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

In case of a crash, call 911.

If your bicycle is stolen, call the NOPD at 504.821.2222.



Wisner Bridge bicycle and pedestrian trail



St. Bernard Avenue bike lane

LOOK FOR MORE
LOW-STRESS BIKEWAYS
SOON!

