



Do Your Part ...

- Report unsafe driving, cycling to 9-1-1.
- Wear all safety gear - seatbelts, reflective clothing.
- Be courteous to others.
- Don't use your cell phone or wear headphones while driving or cycling.

Community Partners

Texas Department of Transportation

Texas Bicycle Coalition

Travis County Parks Department

Austin Mayor's Fitness Council

Austin Cycling Association

City of Austin Bicycle and Pedestrian

Program, Street Smarts Bicycle Task Force

Yellow Bike Project

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RoadShare Cycling Safety Program

A collaborative effort to provide safety standards for cyclists and motorists of Travis County.

Travis County RoadShare

The Travis County Sheriff's Office is committed to keeping all Travis County residents safe. The diverse pool of people and interests helps make the Austin-Travis County Metropolitan Area one of the coolest places to live. This is evidenced by the population explosion we have seen during the past decade.

It is important, now more than ever, that all passengers on the road - automobiles, bicycles and pedestrians - watch out for each other so we all reach our destination safely on each trip.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Texas lead the nation in cycling deaths per capita in 2005. During that year there were 784 fatalities and 45,000 others were injured in traffic accidents in the United States.

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What should cyclists do?

For cyclists to be considered as any other vehicle on the road, it's essential to follow these guidelines:

- Obey all traffic laws.
- Wear your safety gear, including a helmet.
- Use headlamps; wear reflective clothing.
- Let drivers know your intentions - use signals.
- Groups should ride single file.
- Use common courtesy.

What should motorists do?

- Allow 3' or 6' feet when passing a cyclist on the road.

In 2009, the Texas Legislature increased the required space between motorists and cyclists to 3 feet. And if the vehicle is commercial, the distance is increased to 6 feet.

- Cycling Lanes

Look for cyclists when you're around cycling lanes, especially when making right turns. Never drive or park in a cycling lane.

- Use common courtesy.



*Austin's a friendly place ...
Let's keep that way.
Let's all share the road.*

DidUknow?

Travis County and the City of Austin set out in 2007 to increase the amount of bicycle racks at county and city facilities.

More than half of commute trips, and three out of four shopping trips are under five miles in length - ideal for cycling. Forty percent of all trips are under two miles.

Past national polls found that 17-20 percent of adults say they would sometimes bike to work if safe routes, workplace parking and changing facilities were provided.

