



Bicycle Lanes



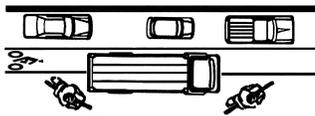
are the safest way for New York City cyclists to travel on city streets.

Motorists: Do not double park in a bicycle lane.

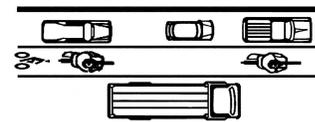
According to the New York City Traffic Regulations [Section 4-08(e), (1)]:

- ◆ Obstructing a bicycle lane is illegal and subject to a fine.
- ◆ Stopping, standing, or parking in a designated bicycle lane is prohibited.
- ◆ Commercial vehicles, when permitted to double park, still must not obstruct a bicycle lane.
- ◆ Bicycles are allowed to use other lanes if the bicycle lane is obstructed or otherwise not safe to use.

Wrong Way



Right Way



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Remember these tips for safer travel:

MOTORISTS:

- ◆ No stopping, standing or parking in bike lanes
 - ◆ Crossing a bike lane is prohibited except when turning, leaving a parking space or driveway, or avoiding an obstacle
 - ◆ Yield to bicyclists and pedestrians
 - ◆ Watch for cyclists and pedestrians when turning and opening vehicle doors
- (NYC Traffic Rules § 4-12(c))



Commercial vehicle drivers:

- Watch for cyclists when loading and unloading along the bike lane side of the street
- Where permitted, double park on the roadway side of the bike lane, not in it

BICYCLISTS:

- ◆ Ride in a bike lane whenever provided (except when turning or avoiding an obstacle)
- ◆ Follow all traffic signals and markings and other rules of the road
- ◆ Ride in the direction of traffic
- ◆ Yield to pedestrians
- ◆ Cyclists age 14 and over must ride in the street
- ◆ Keep both hands on the handlebars for maximum control

PEDESTRIANS:

- ◆ Before you step off the curb to cross the street, stop, look and listen for bicycles and other vehicles (Remember that bicycles are quieter than motor vehicles)
- ◆ Make eye contact with drivers and cyclists to be sure they see you before you start to cross
- ◆ Give yourself the most time to cross by waiting for a fresh green or WALK signal
- ◆ Keep scanning as you cross, especially for turning vehicles
- ◆ Don't stand or walk in a bike lane



Where no bike lane exists, cyclists:

- Stay to the right on a two-way street.
- Ride either to the right or left on a one-way street. Riding to the left avoids parked vehicles' doors and places one closer to the driver's view.

