Bikes should be treated like a vehicle when they are on the road. Outside of high pedestrian traffic areas such as downtowns and business districts, bikes are generally allowed on sidewalks.

BICYCLISTS

- Wear bright colors or reflective gear at night.
- Wear a well-fitting helmet to protect your head – the most vulnerable part of your body.
- Bicyclists can pass through a red light if they stop first and there is no oncoming traffic.
- Watch for cars turning: Intersections have lots of potential for collisions.
- Use hand signals before you turn.
- It’s safest to approach traffic as though the oncoming cars don’t see you coming.
- Ride in the SAME DIRECTION as traffic and follow the same traffic laws as cars.
- Don’t be afraid to take the full lane when there’s not enough room for a car to pass.

PROPER BIKE SIGNALING

LEFT  STOP  RIGHT  ALT.RIGHT

Visit www.watchformeok.org for more driver, bicyclist, and pedestrian safety info!
DRIVERS

- Stay off your phone and other devices.
- Bicyclists and pedestrians have a right to the roadway too. Be patient and give at least 3 feet of space when passing.
- Assume bicyclists and pedestrians don’t see you.
- Don’t drive or park in bike lanes or crosswalks.
- Stop for pedestrians at intersections and crosswalks. Do not pass another vehicle at crosswalks.
- Never pass a stopped school bus when they have the stop sign extended.
- Buckle up and obey posted speed limits. Speed limits are often set for the safety of pedestrians in high traffic areas.
- Never drive while under the influence of drugs, alcohol, or marijuana.
- Act as if it’s your child, grandmother, or neighbor that’s walking, wheeling, or biking in the road.

PEDESTRIANS

- Avoid distractions: Cell phones and music can draw our attention away from traffic.
- Wear something bright or reflective at night.
- Watch for cars turning: Intersections have lots of potential for collisions.
- Never assume that a driver is watching for you.
- Always use sidewalks when available and cross the street at designated crosswalks.
- If the street is the only option, FACE traffic so you can see oncoming traffic.

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