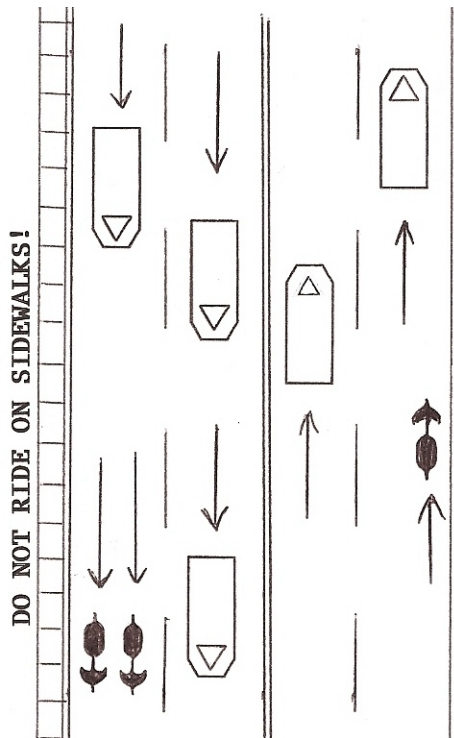


What you need to know

1. It is illegal to ride on the sidewalks in any direction, except for multipurpose paths designed to accommodate bikers, walkers and others.
2. Bicycles should ride in the curbside lane with the flow of traffic.
3. Bicycles must stop for all stop signs and traffic signal just as cars do.
4. Bicyclists should try to ride on roads with designated bicycle lanes, such as Mr. Joe White Avenue or North Ocean Boulevard.

THE CORRECT WAY TO RIDE



Myrtle Beach Police Department

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Non-Emergency: (843) 918-1382
Traffic Division: (843) 918-1367

RIDING A BICYCLE SAFELY AND LEGALLY



A guide on how to ride your bicycle
safely and legally

- The Law
- Safe Riding Tips
- What to do if you are involved in an Accident

THE LAW:

SECTION 56-5-3430. Riding on roadways and bicycle paths

Every person operating a bicycle upon a roadway shall ride as near to the right side of the roadway as practicable, exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle or one proceeding in the same direction.

Persons riding bicycles upon a roadway shall not ride more than two abreast except on paths or parts of roadways set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles.

Whenever a usable path for bicycles has been provided adjacent to a roadway, bicycle riders shall use such path and shall not use the roadway.

SECTION 56-5-3420. Rights and duties of bicyclists

Every person riding a bicycle upon a roadway shall be granted all of the rights and shall be subject to all of the duties applicable to the driver of a vehicle by this chapter, except as to special regulations in this article and except as to those provisions of this chapter which by their nature can have no application.

SECTION 56-5-3460. Carrying articles

No person operating a bicycle shall carry any package, bundle or article which prevents the rider from keeping at least one hand upon the handlebars.

What does this all mean?

- Bicyclists are required to obey the same laws that vehicles do.
- Bicyclists should ride in the lane of traffic and in the same direction of traffic, as far to the right side of the pavement as practicable.
- If available, a bicyclist should ride in the designated bike lane in the same direction as the flow of traffic.
- It is illegal for bicyclists to ride on the sidewalks, except for special multipurpose paths, such as along Grissom Parkway.
- It is illegal for bicyclists to ride in a crosswalk to cross the street. You must get off and walk the bike if using a crosswalk.
- If riding at night, bicyclists are required to have a light on the front and a red reflector on the rear of the bicycle.

If you are involved in an accident...

- Stay where you are and call the Police.
- If someone is injured, call 911 immediately.
- Record the license plate information of the vehicles involved.

Correct:



Incorrect:



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