

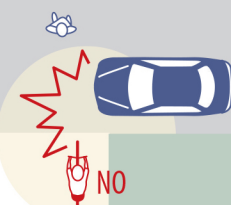
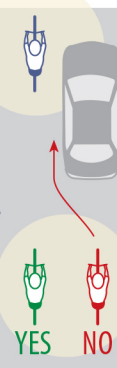
# Sharing the Road

## Biking on Streets



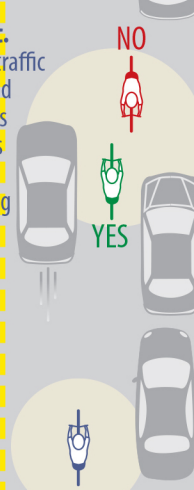
**Obey all traffic regulations.** Riding predictably and following the law are the keys to safe bicycling. Knowing and following the rules help all road users properly anticipate and react to each other.

**Ride in a straight line.** Avoid weaving between parked cars. Ride in a straight line at least 4 feet away from parked cars to avoid the door zone (see below).



**Don't ride on the sidewalk.** Motorists are not looking for cyclists to be riding on sidewalks and are often surprised by them at driveways and intersections. If you must ride on the sidewalk, ride at walking pace and stop or yield at every intersection.

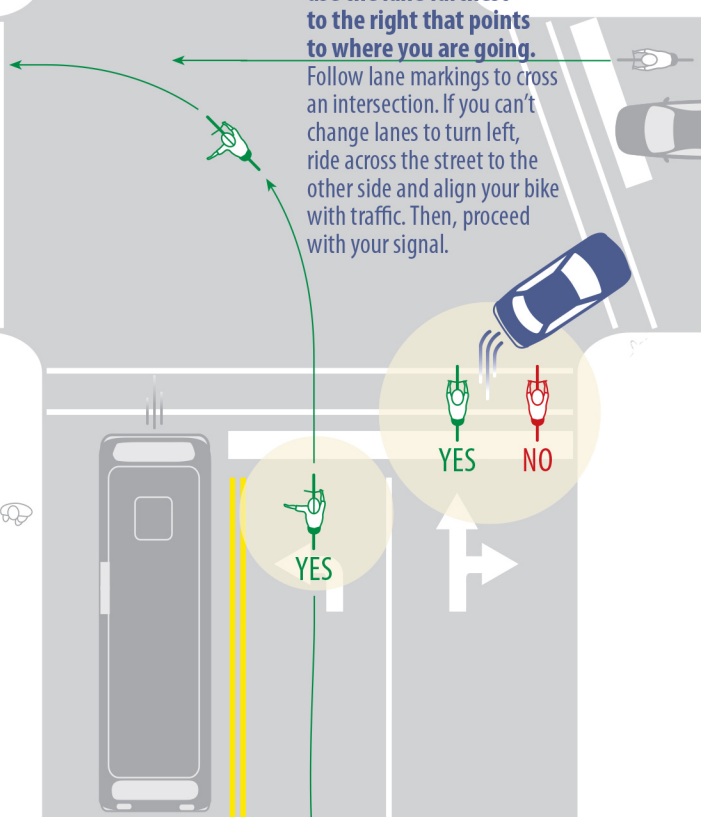
**Never ride against traffic.** Riding against traffic is dangerous and illegal. Motorists and pedestrians are not looking for cyclists riding the wrong way down a street.



**When necessary, use entire travel lane** Move toward the center when the lane is too narrow for motorists to pass safely or when you're moving at the same speed as traffic.

**To cross an intersection, use the lane farthest to the right that points to where you are going.**

Follow lane markings to cross an intersection. If you can't change lanes to turn left, ride across the street to the other side and align your bike with traffic. Then, proceed with your signal.



# The Door Zone

## Tips to Avoid Injuries

The **Door Zone** is the 4-foot area along the side of a parked car where an opening door can hit and seriously injure a cyclist. Ride outside the door zone.



**Before merging with traffic** Always scan over your shoulder for traffic approaching from behind and signal your intentions before moving over. Only merge when it is safe to do so.

When riding in a bike lane, ride on the left side of the lane — at least 4 feet from parked cars.

