



Attention Motorists:

- A vehicle must yield to a cyclist on the roadway
- A person shall not drive on or park in a bicycle lane in the downtown area
- Drivers should exercise due care as they share the road with cyclists as well as look for oncoming cyclists before opening their vehicle doors
- A driver shall not pass a cyclist unless 1 meter of space between the vehicle and cyclist can be provided

Bicycles and Children:

- A child under the age of 12 years may ride a bicycle on a sidewalk except in the central business area
- A parent or guardian shall not authorize or permit a person under the age of 16 to ride a bicycle without a helmet
- Wear reflective gear
- Make sure gear properly fits
- Stay alert and ride safely

Bicycles on the Bus:

- You can take your bike on Whitehorse Transit - everywhere we go
- You can load and unload your bicycle onto the front bus rack with ease
- Bicycles are not permitted inside the bus unless the bike rack is full and there is available space inside
- Cyclists pay the regular passenger fare while their bikes ride free



City of Whitehorse

New Bicycle Bylaw



To learn more about the new
Bicycle Bylaw please log onto the
City of Whitehorse website at
www.whitehorse.ca/bicycles
or email
bylaw.services@whitehorse.ca



A New Bicycle Bylaw is now in effect!

The City of Whitehorse has adopted a new Bicycle Bylaw and would like to inform you of its new regulations. This new Bylaw will have a positive effect, not only on cyclists, but pedestrians and motorists as well.



Bicycle Safety:

- Be visible – wear bright colored clothes like yellow, white or orange
- Use proper hand signals
- Obey all traffic signs and rules of the road
- Ride with traffic
- Do not dodge in and out of parked vehicles
- Yield the right of way to pedestrians
- Signal by voice, bell or other signaling device before passing pedestrians or other cyclists

Benefits:

- Cycling is FUN!
- Cycling is HEALTHY
- Cycling is LOW IMPACT EXERCISE
- Cycling is PRACTICAL and COST EFFECTIVE
- Cycling is GOOD FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

Bicycle Rules:

- When riding a bicycle or a passenger on a bicycle or bicycle trailer, you must wear a helmet
- A bicycle cannot be operated on the sidewalk except where a cyclist would be forced to travel in a lane of traffic due to the shoulder of the road being impassable
- While riding a bicycle, a person shall not wear headphones in both ears
- Cyclists must yield to pedestrians
- A person operating a bicycle on the roadway have the same rights and duties as a driver of a vehicle as it prescribes to the Motor Vehicles Act

Required Equipment:

- Cyclists operating on the roadway during night time hours must have their bicycle equipped with at least 1 head light and 1 red tail light. The lights must emit light for no less than 200 meters
- Cyclists are encouraged to equip their bicycles with reflectors and a bell
- Cyclists are encouraged to wear the appropriate safety gear