



ABOUT BIKEFAIRFAX

In 2006, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors approved a comprehensive Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT) initiative to make the county bicycle-friendly.

Since then, BikeFairfax has been committed to improving bike infrastructure and raising road safety awareness among county residents.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT WWW.FAIRFAXCOUNTY.GOV/TRANSPORTATION.

A DRIVER'S GUIDE TO BIKE LANES IN FAIRFAX COUNTY



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BIKE LANES ARE HERE.

Throughout Fairfax County, bike lanes are connecting neighborhoods to parks, shops, transit and jobs. Read on to learn more about bike lanes and safely interacting with people who are cycling.

SAFETY TIPS



Never text and drive.



Follow posted speed limits.



Do not drive or park in a bike lane.



Allow at least 3 feet when you pass someone who is cycling.



Come to a complete stop at red lights and stop signs, including when turning right.



Look right for people biking and walking before making a right turn.



After parking, look over your left shoulder for someone approaching on a bicycle before opening your car door.

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THESE LAWS, VISIT WWW.SHAREVAROADS.ORG.

HOW TO INTERACT WITH DIFFERENT TYPES OF BIKE LANES WHEN DRIVING

Please note that people who cycle are required to ride as far to the right as safely practicable. If bike lanes are unsafe due to debris, snow or obstacles such as trash cans, people who cycle may choose not to use the bike lanes.




SHARED LANE MARKING (SHARROW)

STANDARD BIKE LANE


BUFFERED BIKE LANE

SEPARATED BIKE LANE


GREEN BIKE LANE

 **Motorists may legally cross the double yellow line in order to safely pass a person riding a bicycle, as long as the oncoming lane is clear.**


Shared lane markings indicate a shared travel lane for bicycles and cars.

 **Merge into bike lanes to make a right turn, yielding to bicycles.**

Bike lanes give bicycles and cars their own spaces, making it safer to pass legally.

 **Do not drive on or park in the painted buffer or in the buffered bike lane.**

Buffered bike lanes provide additional space between bicycles and cars. The extra space makes both cycling and driving more comfortable.

 **Turn with caution and watch for bicycles.**

Separated bike lanes are divided from regular travel lanes by physical barriers.

 **Yield to bicycles when crossing the green bike lane.**

Green pavement highlights areas where people driving and cycling should pay extra attention. Green pavement is often used at locations where people driving need to cross over the bike lane.

KNOW THE CORRECT WAY TO TURN RIGHT WHEN A BIKE LANE IS PRESENT.

TWO-STAGE LEFT TURN BOX

