

Bike Safely! Tips for Sharing Rockville's Roads



Rockville is a great place to get around by all modes of transportation. People may drive to a park, bike to work, or walk or roll to a store.

Traffic safety is a shared responsibility. Just like drivers, people walking, rolling, and bicycling don't always follow the rules, which is why everyone in

Rockville needs to do their part to keep themselves and everyone else on the road safe.

Here are a few tips to keep in mind for when bicycling:

- While bicyclists are allowed to use sidewalks, people bicycling must yield to people walking/rolling. Slow down when approaching pedestrians.
- When on a shared use path or trail and passing someone walking or rolling, be sure to first ring your bell when a fair distance away, then, as you get closer call out "On your left!"
- Thank people who move out of your path.
- Make a complete stop at stop signs.
- Remain in the bike lane when traveling through the intersection, use the right turn lane when making a right. Be mindful of motorists entering the right-turn lane.
- When bicycling on the sidewalk, be extra mindful when crossing streets. Motorists may not see bicyclists on the sidewalk as they approach cross streets.
- Do not switch back and forth between sidewalks and on-street riding, as this can be unpredictable for everyone else on the road.