# DENVER BIKE MAP

The City & County of Denver continues to strive toward making Denver a world class bicycling city that provides people of all ages and abilities with a bicycle network that is safe, comfortable, and connected. In 2018, the mayor's office made it a goal to install 125 new lane miles by 2023, and as of April 2023. Denver has successfully done so.

By 2030, Denver hopes to increase the amount its residents walking, bicycling, rolling, or scooting to 15% by continuing to expand the network of connected bikeways. This will help manage congestion and air pollution from cars, and provide Denverites with a convenient, affordable, and healthy way to enjoy the Mile High City.

**DENVER BIKEWAYS** 









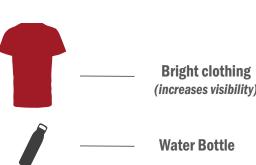


## THE STREET-SMART BICYCLIST



### **USEFUL ACCESSORIES**







Saddle Bag/ **Pannier** 



**Safety Flag** or hand bicycles, or trailers)

**Safe Speeds on Trails** 

over bridges, and on bends.

**Multi-use Trails & Sidewalks** 

ring a bell when passing.

Ride single-file on trails.

**Staying off Sidewalks** 

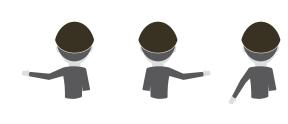
Yield to pedestrians and keep right,

except to pass on the left. Call out or

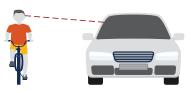
Bicyclists must ride less than 15 mph

on trails. Be cautious on hills, under/

### HOW TO COMMUNICATE



Signal all of your turns and stops ahead of time. Always make sure to check for traffic and only move when it's safe.



Make Eye Contact. Eye contact with the driver helps them know you're



Using earphones can be dangerous. They do not allow you to hear what's going on around you.

### PREVENTING THEFT

- Always use a high quality u-lock or chain.
- Always lock the frame and front wheel.
- For extra security, remove the front wheel and lock it with the frame and rear wheel.



Tell driver when exiting

Return rack to upright

position if last person

to improper loading.

a bike.

that you are unloading

Register your bike with the Denver Police **Department for free at:** www.denvergov.org/BikeRegistration

If stolen, call the Denver Police Department 's nonemergency line at (720)913-2000 and have your bike's serial number on hand.

### **BIKE REPAIR KITS**

Bike repair kits are available for up to two hours at all Denver Public Libraries with your library card. Each kit contains the following basic tools:

• Dual-valve pump with pressure gauge, adjustable wrench and allen wrenches, tire levers, tube patches, sandpaper, glue, and repair instructions (English & Spanish)

Don't have a card? Sign up instantly on-site.

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**VISIONZERO** 

In 2017, Denver set an ambitious goal to

achieve Vision Zero - zero traffic-related

deaths and serious injuries by 2030.

Denver reaffirmed this commitment with

the 2023 Vision Zero Action Plan Update.

By adopting Vision Zero, the City of Denver

rejects the status quo that traffic crashes

are unfortunate "accidents." Instead, we

and will be systematically addressed. By

accept that traffic crashes can be prevented

applying Vision Zero's core principles, we can

save lives and prevent severe injuries on our

streets while enhancing the quality of life for

all Denver residents. The Action Plan hones in

on Denver's most dangerous streets and most

vulnerable users by identifying a High Injury

combination, provide focus for Denver Vision

Network and Safety Focus Areas which, in

Zero efforts.

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DenverGov.org/Bicycle more information about riding a bike in Denver visit: Denver Bike Map is a production of Denver DOTI. For

to remove a bike. and infrastructure (DOII) • RTD is not responsible Department of Transportation for lost or stolen bikes, or damage to bikes due

720.913.2000 Non-Emergency Emergency Police Department

For all bikeway issues including maintenance dial



# **BICYCLE+ LANES**

Bicycle lanes have traditionally been used primarily by those riding bicycles, but in recent years other ridership options have emerged. **These new** ridership options, including electric bicycles, electric scooters, and a range of other lower speed (less than 20 mph) electric personal devices, are legally permitted to use bicycle lanes. The term 'Bicycle+' or 'Bike+' is used when referring to bicycle lanes to clearly communicate that these other legally permitted ridership options are also encouraged to use bicycle lanes. For example, what was previously referred to as a Protected Bike Lane will now be referred to as a Protected Bike+ Lane. This change encourages safer travel and is intended to reduce unwanted behaviors, such as sidewalk riding by e-scooters.

#### CAN BE IN THE BIKE+ LANE

Small, electric personal devices that travel less than 20 mph are permitted to travel in Denver's Bike+ Lanes.











# Class 2 E-bikes

# CANNOT BE IN THE BIKE + LANE

Vehicles with gas & diesel powered engines, and electric devices that travel at speeds greater than 20 mph, are not permitted in Denver's Bike+ Lanes.







# SAFE BICYCLING TIPS

#### **Riding at Night**

To increase visibility at night, always ride with a white front light and red rear light. Reflectors and reflective clothing are recommended as well.



#### **Riding Two Abreast** People on bikes may ride two

abreast unless it impedes the normal movement of traffic. When there is motorized traffic, switch to single file.



#### **Colorado Safety Stop** People biking and riding e-scooters

may ride slowly through stop signs after yielding to those with the right-of-way. They may also proceed through red lights after coming to a stop, if there is no oncoming traffic.



#### **Traffic Circles**

A circular intersection that slows vehicles and keeps bikes moving along the corridor. All people must travel counterclockwise and yield to the traveler who is already in the intersection.

SPEED LIMIT

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# People on bikes are prohibited from

riding on sidewalks UNLESS the sidewalk is part of a designated bike route, or they are within one block of dismounting to park (speed limit 6



#### **E-Scooter Operation** People on E-Scooters are required to operate their devices following the same rules of the road that are in place for bicyclists.

LOADING BIKES ON TRANSIT

### Buses:

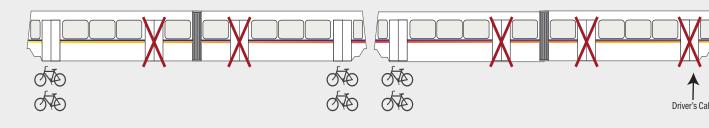
RTD buses are equipped with bicycle racks. Read these tips for loading and unloading your bike on buses.



Place front wheel 1. Squeeze handle Lower rack on side labeled to release rack

# "front wheel"

Light Rail: Every RTD train allows bikes on board. Read these tips for loading and unloading your bike on trains.



 Load bike at the front or rear of the train (except near occupied drivers cab)

• Locate Bike Zone A and Bike Zone B on board, if Bike Zone B is open, proceed to the space and sit or stand with your bike. If full, stand in bike Zone A with your bike.

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# **HOW TO USE DENVER BIKEWAYS**

## SIGNALS & NAVIGATION



#### **Bike Signals**

These work similarly to traffic lights for cars and give bicycles their own time to move across intersections.



a person on a bike is waiting for the signal to turn green. Bicyclists should position their bikes on the



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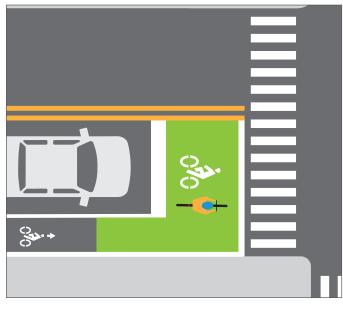
**Bike Detection** This indicates to a traffic light that

## Bicycle Wayfinding

green pavement marking.

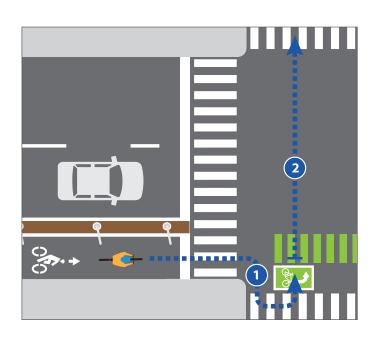
Signage for bikeways provides bicyclists guidance to travel along bike routes and access destinations. Denver has two distinct bicycle wayfinding sign types. Blue signs indicate that you're on a neighborhood bikeway and green signs are used at trail connections and all other on-street bikeways.

## BIKE BOX



"Bike Boxes" provide space for bicycles to move ahead of vehicles when the light is red and have priority once the light turns green.

## TWO-STAGE TURN BOX

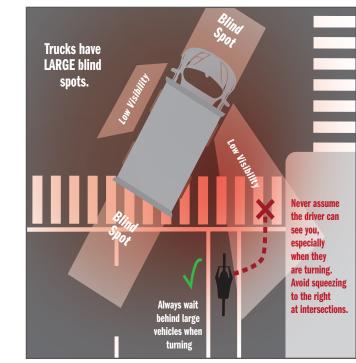


Two stage turn boxes make it easier for bicyclists to make a left or right turn at traffic signals. The staging helps to minimize conflicts with vehicles, as turning would otherwise require bicyclists to cross over into the vehicle lanes to make a turn. The turn box is to be used in two stages. If you wish to make a left turn from a bike lane on the right side of the road, you should continue straight through the intersection when the light turns green and stop inside the bike box, now facing in the direction you want to go. Lastly, just wait for the light to turn green and proceed through the intersection.

## WATCH FOR TRUCKS

Pull support

arm over wheel



Trucks have large blind spots, making it hard for drivers to see bicyclists. Use caution when riding next to trucks, especially when they're turning through intersections.





