



Bicyclists, pedestrians and drivers must *work together* to share the road.

State law outlines everyone's responsibilities so we can all stay safe.

For bicyclists |

- Bicycles are vehicles and must follow the same rules as motor vehicles: stopping at all stop signs and red lights and yielding to pedestrians in crosswalks.
- When biking at night, use a white headlight and rear red reflector on your bike.
- Cyclists are required to ride as far to the right as is safe and practical. When conditions are not safe, you are allowed to occupy the entire travel lane.
- Do not ride more than two abreast.

For pedestrians |

- Illinois law requires drivers and bicyclists to yield to pedestrians in crosswalks, even mid-block crosswalks that do not have a stop sign or traffic light.
- Only cross streets at designated locations.
- Make eye contact with drivers and bicyclists.
- Do not dart suddenly into traffic.

For drivers |

- Illinois requires cars to pass bicyclists with at least 3 feet of room.
- Bicyclists are considered vehicles of the road and can occupy an entire travel lane when necessary.
- It is illegal to open the door of a parked car into the path of a cyclist.
- Drivers are required to yield to bicycles as they would any other motor vehicle.

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