

Bicycle Safety

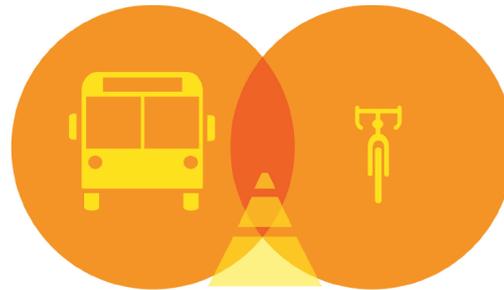
Consider these safety reminders when riding your bike in traffic, including areas with active bus routes.

1. Follow the rules of the Road
2. Be Predictable
3. Be Visible
4. Be Alert
5. Ride with Proper Equipment

Remember, whether your riding your bike, or taking the bus. Use these tips to improve the safety and efficiency of your trip on your commute in Cleveland.



A bicyclist obeys the rules of the road as an RTA bus passes through an intersection in Downtown Cleveland.



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Bicycles and Transit - Always Connected



A bicyclist secures his bike on an RTA bike rack.

Bicycling is a great way to commute to work. It decreases traffic congestion and the impact on the environment and improves your health.

Combining bicycles and transit is a time-saving

option to a daily commute. All buses, aside from Downtown Trolleys, are equipped with bike racks which can accommodate up to three bicycles.

GCRTA can even accommodate bicycles in designated locations on HealthLine coaches and Rail vehicles.

However you decide to ride to work, whether on a bike, on a bus or by combining both. Remember to keep safety in mind when commuting.

Benefits of the bike rack

There are plenty of reasons how combining bicycles and transit can benefit a daily commute, or a family outing.

- For recreational outings
- One-way commuting
- Poor and dangerous weather
- Equipment Failures

Bike Rack Pre-boarding tips

- Always approach the bus from the curb or bus stop. Never ride around to the front of the bus from the street side.
- Wait with your bicycle on the curb for the bus to come to a complete stop.
- Make eye contact with the bus operator or motion to ensure you are seen as you move in front of the bus to load your bicycle.



In support of the organization, Bike Cleveland's "Ride Together" campaign, an RTA bus gets a fresh new look

- Bring any loose items with you onto the bus, and consider removing water bottle and bags from your bicycle.
- Follow the instructions located on the bike rack.
 1. Squeeze the handle to release the bike rack.
 2. Lay the rack down and release the handle.
 3. Hoist your bicycle into the slot closest to the operator if available.
 4. Pull support arm out, then up and over the front tire to secure the bike.
 5. Secure the arm of the bike rack as closely to the fork or fender of the bike as you can.

When riding on a bus equipped with a bike rack, remember to take a **BIKE** card from the Operator. If a space is not available on the rack, be patient and wait for the next scheduled bus.

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