



Do Bicycles Belong on Sidewalks?

Even experienced bicycle riders can be unaware of protocol when it comes to bicycles and sidewalks. Here are some key points to keep in mind:

- Pedestrians have the right-of-way on sidewalks and bicycle paths. You must give an audible signal as you approach and pass a pedestrian.
- Automobiles are not required to yield to bicycles being ridden across a crosswalk (at a trail crossing for example) as the bicycle is treated as a vehicle. A better choice is to dismount and walk your bike across.
- You are not permitted to ride a bicycle on a sidewalk in a business district (except where permitted by official traffic control devices) or where there is a bicycle-only lane available.
- You can park your bicycle on a sidewalk if it does not impede pedestrian traffic.
- You can park your bicycle at the curb or edge of the roadway where parking is allowed if it does not obstruct other vehicles.