

BICYCLE FACILITY TYPES:

1. MULTI-USE PATHWAY

- Cyclists must yield to all other users.
- When approaching a bus stop, yield to passengers running to and disembarking the bus and use your bell and voice.
- Communicate your intention to other pathway users.

2. BIKE LANES

- Stay within the bike lanes.
- Do a shoulder check before changing lanes.
- If approaching a vehicle stopped in the bike lane, shoulder check and pass to the left when safe, or wait for the vehicle to pull away.
- Be aware of drivers exiting their vehicles and stepping into your path.

3. LOCAL BIKE WAYS

- Stencils and signs will guide cyclists where to ride, local street and traffic conditions are also to be considered.



RESOURCES

- Coquitlam Street & Traffic Bylaw No. 4402, 2014
coquitlam.ca/bylaws
 - Metro Vancouver Cyclist's Handbook
bikehub.ca
 - Motor Vehicle Act of BC
bclaws.ca
- For more information and other resources go to:
coquitlam.ca/cycling



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CITY OF COQUITLAM RULES, COURTESIES & TIPS FOR SAFER CYCLING



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Getting around safely for cyclists, pedestrians and motorists is important - be familiar with these basic rules so everyone can enjoy your trips and get to your destinations safely.

COQUITLAM BYLAWS & MOTOR VEHICLE ACT OF BC RULES

- Bicycles must have a bell loud enough to be heard as a warning.
- Wear a helmet.
- Do not ride on a sidewalk except where permitted by a traffic control device.
- Do not wear headphones while riding.
- Always ride on the same side of the street and in the same direction as motor vehicles unless indicated differently.
- A person operating a bicycle on a highway must use standard hand signals.
- If you are in an accident, causing personal injury or property damage, you must remain at the scene.



CYCLING SIGNS & MARKINGS

All users of the road and pathways should learn these symbols and signs:



DESIGNATED BIKE ROUTE.



GREEN PAVEMENT – Watch for other vehicles.



DEDICATED BICYCLE LANE – Watch for transit buses at designated stops.



SHARED ROADWAYS – Shows where to position yourself to share the road with other vehicles and where to ride away from opening car doors.



MULTI-USE PATHWAY – Yield to pedestrians.



CROSSBIKE SYMBOL – You may ride through the crosswalk yielding to pedestrians.



BIKE ROUTE DIRECTIONAL – Shows Bike Route and directional arrows that indicate options.

GOOD RIDING HABITS

- Watch for opening car doors and cars pulling in and out of parking spots.
- Be predictable.
- Don't make erratic movements.
- Keep at least one hand on the handlebars.
- Ring your bell or use your voice to warn others when overtaking another pathway user.
- Make eye contact especially with drivers at intersections and driveways.

USING CROSSWALKS

- Cyclists should walk their bicycles within a crosswalk unless the crosswalk has parallel dotted lines and/or a sign permitting riding within the crosswalk.

