

**LEGEND**

On-Street Bike Route	Cautionary Bike Route	Marked On-Street Bike Route	Marked On-Street Bike Route, Cautionary	Protected Bike Lane	Neighborhood	Bike-able Sidewalk	Trail Access	Trail	Street	Highway Cars Only	Highway Buses Only	Major Park	River / Lake	Bridge	Railroad	Steep Hill	Very Steep Hill	One-Way	Free Trail Head Parking	T Stop Bike Accessible	Busway Stop	School	Tunnel	Bike Shop
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\* Cautionary Bike Routes tend to be more stressful than On-Street Bike Routes, and are often hard to avoid.

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# BIKE PGH! PITTSBURGH BIKE MAP



## DOWNTOWN



## OAKLAND

### RIDING TIPS

Commuting by bike is fun and safe when you know the rules of the road and follow safety precautions. Inspect your bike by checking your tires and brakes before you hit the road. If you are unsure of your bike's condition, take it to a bike shop.

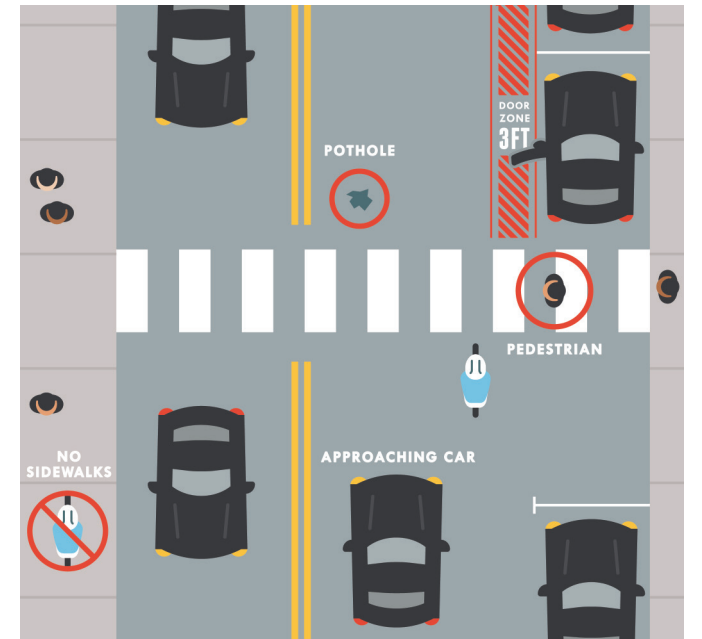
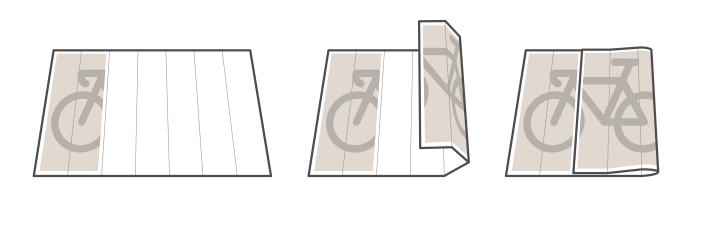
#### BIKE ABC'S

- Air:** Tires should be firm. Refer to the tire's sidewall for recommended pressure.
- Brakes:** Squeeze your brake levers and make sure they work. Be sure brake pads are not worn out and that they contact the rim when squeezed.
- Chain:** Keep your chain clean and lubricated so that it moves smoothly.

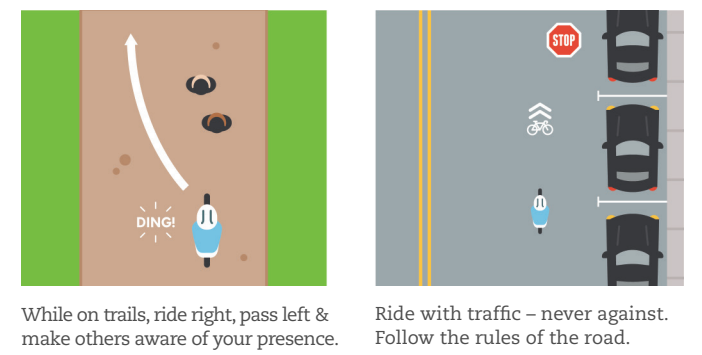
#### BE A SMART CYCLIST

- Helmet:** Helmet should fit snugly on your head.
- Helmet Fit:** Your helmet should fit about two finger widths above your eyebrows and about only two fingers should fit beneath the chin strap.
- Brakes:** Always be prepared to use your brakes.
- Lights:** A front light and rear reflector are required at night. We also recommend using a rear light.
- Reflective Straps:** Keep points out of bike chain.
- Saddlebag/Pannier:** Can be used to carry large items.

### BIKE MAP FOLD-IN



Scan ahead for pedestrians, cars, and other road hazards. Glance back regularly for approaching vehicles, stay as far right as practical. Take the full lane, when there is not enough space for cars to pass you with 4-feet (if necessary), and do not bike on the sidewalks in business districts. Avoid the door zone.



### RESOURCES VISIT BIKEPGH.ORG

- MAP:** Plan your routes online with our interactive map. Just like this map, but with more information.
- TIPS AND HOW-TO VIDEOS:** Useful tips for getting around town, commuting, and riding with others.
- MESSAGE BOARD:** Online forums to discuss routes, rides, and news with other local cyclists.
- BLOG:** Keep up-to-date and discuss the latest cycling news and issues.
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### BIKING ACROSS BRIDGES

- McKees Rocks Bridge:** Fast moving traffic with no shoulders. Wide sidewalks on both sides (recommended). Pay close attention when approaching the on/off ramps.
- West End Bridge:** Fast moving traffic with no shoulder. West End Circle is confusing and dangerous. It is highly recommended to take one of the sidewalks. Northside access on Western Ave (at-grade) or via a staircase under the bridge from North Point Dr (just off the trail). Southern access from Steuben St. or via a staircase on the West Carson St (westbound) McKees Rocks exit.
- Fort Duquesne Bridge:** Bike/pedestrian path. Downtown access from Point State Park. North Shore access between Heinz Field and PNC Park on N Shore Dr.
- Roberto Clemente (6th St) Bridge, Andy Warhol (7th St) Bridge, and Rachel Carson (9th St) Bridge:** Slow and light traffic, no shoulder. Clemente Bridge has protected bike lanes. Sidewalks on both sides.
- Veteran's Bridge:** Don't even think of biking on this one.
- 16th Street Bridge:** Medium speed traffic with no shoulder. Sidewalks on each side.
- West Penn Railroad Bridge:** Bicycle and pedestrian crossing connecting the North Shore Trail to Washington's Landing.
- 31st Street Bridge:** Slower moving traffic with wide shoulders, wide sidewalk. Connects to the North Shore Trail via River Ave.
- 40th Street Bridge:** Fast moving traffic with no shoulders. Sidewalks on both sides (recommended). Easy connection to Millvale Trail.
- 10th Street Bridge:** Fast moving traffic, no shoulder. Sidewalk on the southbound side, with steps on the north end. Sharpburg access at steps at Main St and Bridge St.
- Highland Park Bridge:** Slower moving traffic with narrow shoulders and hectic interchanges at both ends. Narrow sidewalk on the southbound side (Recommended). Be sure to take the Freeport Rd Exit.

- Monongahela River:** (Icon of bridge)
- Fort Pitt Bridge:** Sidewalk connects Station Square (near Duquesne Incline) to Point State Park (behind Fort Pitt Museum).
- Smithfield Street Bridge:** Slow moving traffic with wide shoulder and wide sidewalks on both sides. Connects South Side Trail/Station Square to the Eliza Furnace Trail and to the Mon Wharf.
- Liberty Bridge:** Use the sidewalk. Do not attempt to share the lane with cars. This bridge is a highway.
- South 10th Street Bridge:** Slower moving traffic with shoulders and sidewalks on both sides. Northbound connects to the Eliza Furnace Trail by making a right onto Second Ave.
- Birmingham Bridge:** Buffered bike lanes both directions. Stay VERY alert at the interchanges. Sidewalk on the southbound side (north access from Forbes Ave) with a staircase on the southern end. Oakland-bound traffic may take either Forbes Ave or the sidewalk along Fifth Ave (for a mellower ride).
- Hot Metal Bridge:** Bicycle and pedestrian bridge with a view. Connects the South Side Trail to the Eliza Furnace Trail. Recommended.
- Glenwood Bridge:** Medium to high speed traffic with no shoulder and bad sight lines. The southern end of the bridge is a highway-like configuration of fast moving on/off ramps. Sidewalk on both sides (recommended). Southern access (near Great Allegheny Passage) to sidewalk via two sets of steps on Baldwin Rd.
- Homestead Grays Bridge:** Fast moving traffic with no shoulder, sidewalks (recommended) on both sides. Connects Frick Park to Great Allegheny Passage.
- Rankin Bridge:** Fast moving traffic with painted bike lanes that accumulate debris. Sidewalk on the northbound side.

- Bloomfield:** (Icon of bridge)
- Bloomfield Bridge:** Fast moving traffic, no shoulder. Sidewalk on the Oakland bound side. Access to Bigelow Blvd (heading east to Oakland) from the sidewalk is awkward, and Bigelow Blvd (west to Downtown) is highway-like and not recommended. Polish Hill access via Bethoven St.

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- ADVOCACY:** We advocate for safe, car-free transportation options via infrastructure and public policy.
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- EDUCATION:** We educate in order to give people the tools they need to safely experience the city by foot and by bike (like this map, our Biking 101 Guide, and more).

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### INFRASTRUCTURE TYPES

**On-Street Bike Route:** Simply the recommended streets for navigating the city on a bicycle.

**Marked On-Street Bike Routes:** are recommended streets where the City has painted either Shared Lane Markings or Bike Lanes.

**Protected Bike Lanes:** are lanes exclusively for the use of people on bicycles and have a physical barrier such as a plastic bollard between the bike lane and motor vehicle lane. If a route is colored in red, extra care should be taken when riding.

**Features of a Neighborway:** These are a street, or series of connected streets, where motor vehicle speeds and volumes are kept low to make it more comfortable for existing residents, while also making it safer to walk, ride a bike, and for kids to play. Neighborways serve as excellent connectors for bicycling.

### BIKES ON TRANSIT

- The "T":** Two bikes are permitted per light rail and must be stowed in the designated wheelchair spaces. Bicyclists may load/unload their non-folding bikes at high-platform stations only.
  - Buses:** Port Authority buses are equipped with a front-mounted bike rack that can hold up to two bicycles.
  - Monongahela Incline:** One bike is permitted at a time and must be stowed in the upper level of the wheelchair-accessible car. There are no peak restrictions, but priority is given to wheelchair users.
  - Duquesne Incline:** Two bikes are permitted at all times. There are no peak restrictions.
  - Folding Bikes:** Folding bikes are permitted on board the "T", buses without racks, and the Monongahela incline at all times.
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- Every bus in the Port Authority system has an easy-to-use bike rack that carries up to two bicycles. Simply flip the rack down, load your bike, and secure your wheel with the cane-shaped arm.
- Before exiting, notify the driver that you need to retrieve your bike. Make sure to return the rack to its original, upright position.

### HAZARDS & EMERGENCIES

- EMERGENCIES:** Call 9-1-1 or tell someone else to call for you.
- REPORT A ROAD HAZARD:** Dial 3-1-1 to report potholes and other dangerous conditions.
- NIGHT RIDING:** Wear blinky lights, try to wear reflective clothing, and ride with friends. A front light and rear reflector are required when riding at night.
- IN A CRASH?**
- If you are in pain, stay put. Don't try to move - you could end up injuring yourself even more.
  - Call 9-1-1 or tell someone else to call for you.
  - If your crash involves a car, make sure to get the driver's (a) contact info, (b) license plate, (c) insurance info. Collect witness contact information if possible.
  - Go to the hospital. Do not take minor injuries lightly.
  - Get an incident report number from a police officer. You will need one to obtain the police report to seek compensation for medical bills, etc.
  - Contact a lawyer.
  - Document everything: Witness info, the responding officer's badge number, your trips to the hospital and all corresponding expenses related to your crash.
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