

Bicycling in Berwyn



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Bicycle Parking

Most bike thefts are due to unlocked or improperly locked bikes. Following these tips will help prevent your bike from being stolen.

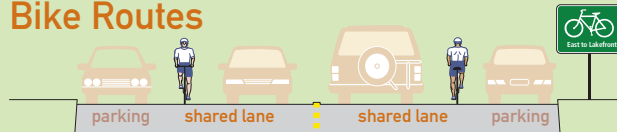
- Never leave your bike unlocked—not even for a second.
- Always use a high-quality U-lock or chain. For added security, use both.



- Always lock the frame and front wheel to either a rack or pole (see illustration 1).
- For extra security, remove the front wheel and lock it with the frame and rear wheel (see illustration 2).
- Note Some bike locks with cylindrical keys may be opened with a pen or similar object. Check with your local bike shop to determine the need to upgrade or replace your lock.

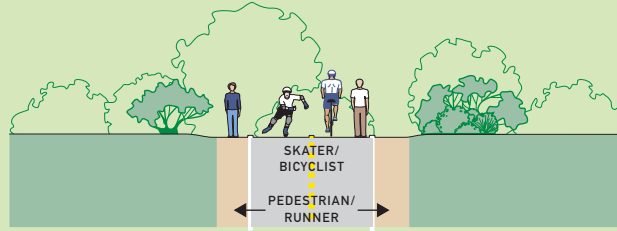
Types of Bikeways

Bike Routes



- Cars and bicycles share the lane.
- Many bike routes have signs showing the direction and distance to destinations.
- Bike routes are usually on streets that aren't wide enough for bike lanes but are good streets for biking.

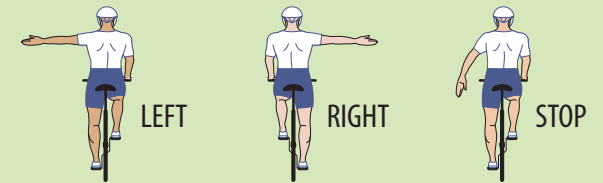
Multi-use Trails



- Paved paths are for bicyclists, walkers, runners, and in-line skaters.

Communicate

State Law (625 ILCS 5/11-1502) requires cyclists to obey all the same traffic laws as motorists. Laws like stopping at stop signs, obeying stop lights, and yielding to pedestrians in crosswalks.

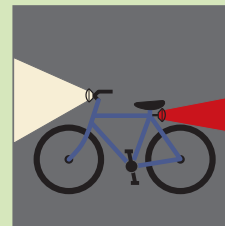


Use hand signals so that drivers know where you're going. Signal all your turns and stops ahead of time. Also, before turning, look over your shoulder for any traffic. Check and only move when it's safe.



Confirm your presence with motorists

Eye contact is good, a wave is even better. If you are unsure if a motorist sees you, use extra caution before proceeding.



See. Be seen. Be heard.

Use lights at night or when visibility is poor. A white headlight and rear red reflector or taillight are required by state law (625 ILCS 5/11-1502). Flashing lights are especially effective.

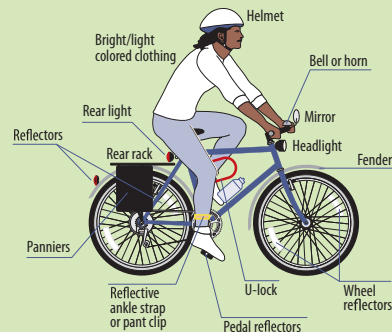
Use bike reflectors, reflective clothing and a bell.



Never use earphones because you won't be able to hear what's going on around you. Using earphones is not only dangerous, it's illegal.

Dress Like a Cyclist

- Always wear a bicycle helmet to reduce the risk of permanent injury or death from a crash.
- Wear bright clothing and use lights, reflectors, a bell and a mirror to see, be seen and be heard.
- If changing at work, roll clothes to minimize wrinkles and store them in a messenger bag, backpack, bike basket or panniers.
- Consider using the other equipment illustrated below to make your ride safer and more comfortable.



NOTICE AND DISCLAIMER: Illinois traffic laws (625 ILCS 5/11-1502) apply to persons riding bicycles. Bicyclists shall be subject to all duties applicable to drivers of a motor vehicle. This map is published as an aid to bicyclists by the City of Berwyn, Illinois and is not intended to be a substitute for a person's use of reasonable care. The City of Berwyn, Illinois makes no express or implied warranty as to the safety or condition of the roads indicated to bicyclists for shared bicycle/motor vehicle use. The unpredictable change of traffic, road, and weather conditions will require the bicyclist to constantly review all routes for suitability. Thus bicyclists using this map ASSUME ALL RISKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES for their own safety when cycling on the routes indicated on this map.

Points of Interest



City Hall



Post Office



Library



Hospital



Metra Station



School



Park

Existing Routes

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Future Routes

Neighboring Routes

Multiseuse Path



List of Parks

- P1 Baseball Alley
- P2 Berwyn Gardens
- P3 Cuyler Pool
- P4 Freedom Park
- P5 Friendship Park
- P6 Hessler Park
- P7 Janura Park
- P8 Jefferson Field
- P9 Karban Park
- P10 Kriz Park
- P11 Mraz Park
- P12 Pavek Community Center
- P13 Proksa Park
- P14 Pyrcz Park
- P15 Serenity Garden
- P16 Smirz Park
- P17 St. Mary of Celle
- P18 Sunshine Park
- P19 Unity Park
- P20 Unity Park
- P21 YMCA
- P22 Pocket Park
- P23 Liberty Cultural Center
- P24 16th St Theater

