

Bicycle Security

The best method to combat bicycle theft is prevention. Never leave your bike unattended, even for a few minutes. Many stolen bikes are removed from an owner's front yard. When you leave your bike unattended, make sure it is secured with a tamper-proof chain and a good quality lock.

Be prepared if you become a victim of bicycle theft. Record the make, model, color and serial number of your bike.

The Grove City Division of Police provides bicycle registration free of charge. Registration cards are available at the Grove City Safety Complex, 3360 Park Street. Once completed, you will receive a Grove City Bicycle License sticker. The license and bicycle information make it easier to return a recovered or impounded bike to its owner.



important numbers

EMERGENCY: 9-1-1

Police Non-emergency: 614-277-1710

Crime Prevention: 614-277-1765

Anonymous Tipline: 614-277-1808

Detective Bureau: 614-277-1750

crime map



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Simple Steps to Safer Cycling

- Always wear an approved bicycle safety helmet.
- Stop and check for traffic before you enter a street from a driveway, parking lot or sidewalk.
- Avoid riding after dark or in bad weather.
- Obey traffic signs, signals and pavement markings.
- Ride on the right side of the street.
- Be extra careful turning left.
- Slow down when you approach intersections; stop, look and listen at stop signs.
- Give cars and pedestrians the right-of-way.
- Avoid broken pavement, litter, loose gravel, mud or leaves.
- Wear light or brightly colored clothes.
- Watch for car doors opening into the roadway.
- Form a single line, one bike length apart, on the right-hand side of the roadway when riding with other cyclists.
- Carry packages in a basket, carrier or backpack and keep both hands on the handlebars.
- Keep your bike in good repair.
- Don't take chances. Watch what is going on around you.
- Use appropriate hand signals to indicate turns.

Bicycle Safety and Ohio Laws

Ohio Bicycle Laws Are Vital to Safe Cycling

- Keep at least one hand on the handlebars at all times.
- Stay as far right on the roadway as you safely can.
- Obey all automobile traffic laws as they apply to bikes as well. This includes not riding under the influence of drugs or alcohol; you can be charged with DUI.
- Do not carry more people than is intended for the bicycle. Make sure child seats or trailers are properly and safely attached.
- Do not ride more than two abreast in a single lane unless on a designated bike trail.
- Do not ride a bicycle while attached to or towed by any other vehicle.

Signal Devices

A bicycle may be equipped with a device capable of giving an audible signal. A rider shall not use a siren or whistle.

After-dark Bicycle Equipment

Before riding after dark Ohio law requires:

- Front lamp with a white light, steady or flashing, visible from at least 500 feet to the front and 300 feet to the sides. The lamp may be mounted on either the bicycle or helmet.
- Rear red light, steady or flashing, visible from at least 500 feet.
- Rear red reflector visible from 100 to 600 feet to the rear when directly in front of a motor vehicle's low beam headlamps. A reflector is not needed if the rear red light can be seen from the same distance.
- Additional lamps and reflectors may be used in addition to those required, except that red lamps and red reflectors cannot be used on the front of the bicycle and white lamps and white reflectors cannot be used on the rear of the bicycle.

Brake Safety

When operating a bicycle on a street or highway, it must have an adequate brake.

