

Bicycling Tips

RIDE IN THE MIDDLE OF NARROW LANES

OBEY TRAFFIC SIGNS, SIGNALS, AND LAWS

NEVER RIDE AGAINST TRAFFIC

Bicycling Myths

(Courtesy of the Genessee Transportation Council) "I'VE GOT TO STAY AWAY FROM CARS." Being in traffic isn't inherently dangerous - but entering traffic is.

SCAN THE ROAD AROUND YOU

RIDE IN A STRAIGHT LINE

YOU MAY LEAVE A BIKE LANE

DO NOT PASS ON THE RIGHT

BE VISIBLE AT NIGHT

Dixon-Davis

Dixon-Davis Bike Route

CHOOSE THE BEST WAY TO TURN LEFT

There are many riding experiences in Solano County

How do you avoid collisions? Enter traffic as few times as possible. There is no danger in riding in a traffic lane – motorists can see you there. Themotorist who can see you will avoid you.

(Collisions with cars account for only one-sixth of all bike accidents. You'rejust as likely to collide with another bike, or a dog, or fall without collidingwith anything.)

"I'M MOST LIKELY TO BE HIT FROM BEHIND." Most car-bike accidents happen at intersections, when either the motorist or the bicyclist makes an unexpected turn across the other's path. In hope of avoiding a rear-end collision, some cyclists ride the wrong way - only to get in trouble at an intersection, because a turning motorist never saw them.

How do you get through intersections safely? Merge with traffic well inadvance of the intersection, and position yourself in the proper turning lane. Using turn signals beforehand informs others of your intent, so they canreact appropriately.

"MOTORISTS DON'T CARE ABOUT MY SAFETY." The vast majority of motorists are sane and rational people who will allow you right-of-way, even if it inconveniences them a little.

How do you stay on the good side of motorists around you? Make your riding



Loading Your Bike

Let the driver know you will be loading your bike.

Do not step in front of the bus until the driver lets

Road 22 maybe closed in Winter at the Yolo Bypass

West

Sacramento

Clarksburg

Courtland

Ryde

Vorden

Locke

Walnut Grove

Courtland Rd

see other side.

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Freeport

Legend

>>>>> Steep Climbs

-----Freeway Schools

Civic Buildings Bus Transit Facilities Rail Station Ferry Bike Shops Park and Ride AmTrak Stations Bike Lockers Recreational Areas

▲ Camping Fire Departments Police Stations

 Off-Street Bike Paths Bike Lanes or Shoulders

> Variable Shoulder Widths Moderate to high traffic volume Limited or No Shoulders Higher traffic volumes

Bikes can only be loaded at the front end of the bus from the curbside and under no circumstances can you bring your bike inside the bus. Also, the driver can't get off the bus to help, but he or she can tell you how to use the rack.

Remember, instructions are also posted on the rack itself. It is a three-step process and generally takes

If the rack is folded up, simply pull it down.

Lift the bike up and fit it into the rack's wheel wells, which are labeled for the front and rear wheels. If no other bike is on the rack, use the space closest to the bus.

After the bike is in the rack, simply lift the support arm up and over the front tire. This arm should be in contact with the tire, not the fender or any other part of the bike. It is a good idea to make sure the support arm is in place before boarding the bus and don't forget to pay your fare.







The three types of bikeways described by Caltrans in Chapter 1000 of the California State Highway Design manual are as follows:



exclusive use of bicyclists and pedestrians. Multi-use paths are also open

Typically referred to as a bike lane, a Class II Bikeway provides a striped, stenciled, and signed lane for one-way travel on a side street or highway. Minimum width for bike lanes varies depending on adjacent parking, curb type, and striping. Typically, the minimum

travel width for bicycles in a bike lane is four to five feet. Sometimes, especially near intersections, the bike lane may disappear. turn left, pass other bicyclists, or when going as fast as car traffic. Always carefully check for

Cars are permitted to use the bike lane for turning and pulling into and out of parking traffic before leaving the bike lane.

No minimum width standards apply to Class III facilities.

Class II Bikeway

Rural Roadways





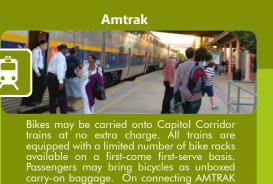
Agriculture and Bicycling The law does not require cyclists to ride to the right in narrow traffic lanes because it is at times safest to "take the whole lane." However, cyclists must be responsible for their actions. Factors such your speed, the speed and volume of other traffic, road grades, and surface quality may help you decide where to ride on rural roadways and narrow streets.

There are many unique opportunities for cyclists to visit local farms, ranches, and vineyards in the area for fresh food. During various times throughout the year, harvesting takes place to produce and transport crops and livestock. It is important to be mindful that many users including bicyclist, pedestrians, motor vehicles, and growers with heavy equipment share these public roads for movement.

Alamo Creek Bike Route

Rio Vista





All trains are equipped with a limited number of bike racks



Vallejo - Cordelia



All ferries allow bikes on board.





All buses are equipped with front mounted bicycle racks.

on your bike today!



Destinations

Regional transportation centers allow you to travel throughout the nine (9) bay area counties. Solano County boasts three major transportation centers:









Solano County Government Center The Solano County Government Center is located in Downtown Fairfield and is a hop, skip, and a jump away from the Suisun-Fairfield Amtrok Station. Resources in this area include the Solano County District Attorney's Office, Solano County Services and Justice Center, the Events Center, and various local

Local Farms, Ranches,





Schools &



Vacaville Davis Street

Park and Ride Lot

Vallejo Park and Ride Lot

Long-term bicycle parking locations

Transportation Center Cadenasso Drive Davis Street at I-80 off of Beck Avenue 4 Lockers with capacity for Total of 16 lockers (707) 449-5424 available **Rio Vista Park** and Ride Lot Main and Front Streets Lockers with capacity for 6 bicycles

Fairfield

Main Street and

Highway 12

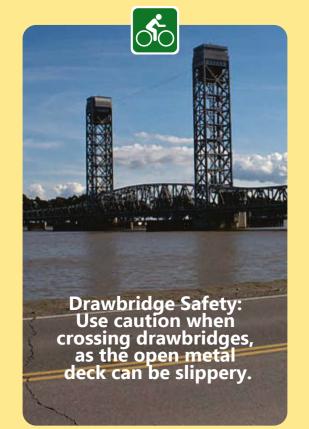
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Allison Drive & Travis Way **Suisun City Park** (707) 469-6508

3 lockers with capacity for 6 bicycles (800) 834-3032 Curtola and Lemon Streets 4 Lockers with capacity for 8 bicycles (707) 648-4666 Suisun-Fairfield Amtrak Station San Francisco Bay Main Street and Lotz 8 lockers with capacity for 16 bicycles near Station 2 lockers with capacity

(707) 648-4349 (707) 421-7300 **Vallejo Transit Center Vacaville Cliffside** Park and Ride 6 lockers with capacity

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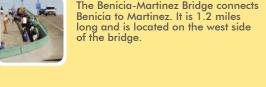




Bikes on Bridges



ong and is located on the west side of the bridge.



The Zampa Bridge connects Vallejo to Crocket. It is 1.6 miles programs, and promotes California's Bike to Work/School Week. Solano BAC

The Solano Transportation Authority, the Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District, and the Bay Area Air Quality Management District would like to remind you to Sparé the Air. Get out and get some fresh air

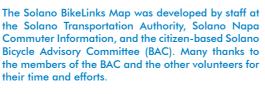


since its inception in 1990. The STA adopted its first Countywide Bicycle Plan in 1995. Much progress has been made since the oriainal plan with the development of many regional bikeway segments. Of the county's 416 miles of regional roadway, over 130 miles now contain bike lanes and more than 16 miles of off-street multiuse

Solano Napa Commuter Information STA's Solano Napa Commuter Information (SNCI) Program supports and promotes bicycling programs in Solano County. SNCI promotes bicycling as a commute mode, develops bicycle maps, provides bridge, transit, and shuttle information for cyclists who use bikes on transit, promotes bicycle safety and education programs, works with employers and the Bicycle Advisory Committee to develop these

paths have been developed.

An important component of the STA's Bicycle Program is the Solano Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC), which is comprised of representatives and staff from the STA's member agencies. The BAC meets on a regular basis to review and recommend countywide



For additional information about bikes on public

transit, community bicycle clubs, bike safety and advisory committees; call SOLANO NAPA COMMUTER INFORMATION at (800) 535-6883

The STA and SNCI recognize that: Bicycling is a viable form of transportation that can be used for commuting to work or school, running errands, and for

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Bicycling improves physical health and can give a sense of independence and

Bicycling enhances our ability to experience and interact with the vibrancy

Bicycling is economically efficient, costing the commuter bicyclist on an annual basis approximately one-quarter as much as driving.

of our communities, something that is very difficult to do when inside a car.

Bicycling is a renewable form of transportation and in the second Bicycling reduces the consumption of fossil fuels, alleviates traffic congestion, and improves the region's air quality.

Solano Transportation Authority ... working for you!

About the Solano Transportation Authority

The Solano Transportation Authority was formed in 1990 under a Joint Powers Agreement to act as Solan County's Congestion

County for its eight member agencies; Benicia, Dixon, Fairfield, Rio Vista, Solano

and Vallejo. The STA also provides countywide planning for the development of roads, transit, rideshare, rail, bicycle and pedestrian facilities. Other responsibilities include the management of Solano Paratransit, Solano Express intercity services, and the Solano Napa Commuter Information Program.



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Medical Services (Non-Emergency) **Kaiser Vacaville**

(707) 453-5000 **Kaiser Vallejo** 975 Sereno Drive, Vallejo (707) 651-1000

> **Sutter Davis** Vaca Valley Hospital 1000 Nut Tree Road, Vacaville (707) 446-4000

> > **Woodland Memorial**

1325 Cottonwood St, Woodland

(530) 662-3961



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