

Bike Law: *Bicyclists must obey pedestrian laws when on the sidewalk and obey motor vehicle laws when on the road.*

FWC 74.34 Operation of Bicycles

(A) Every person riding a bicycle upon a street shall be granted all of the rights and shall be subject to all of the duties applicable to the driver of a vehicle. Every person riding a bicycle upon a sidewalk shall be granted all of the rights and shall be subject to all of the duties applicable to a pedestrian.

(B) The regulations in the traffic code applicable to bicycles shall apply whenever a bicycle is operated upon any roadway or public sidewalk or upon any shared-use path, subject to those exceptions stated herein.

(C) The operator of a bicycle shall not overtake standing vehicles in a travel lane.

FWC 74.35 Speed to Be Reasonable and Prudent

No person shall operate a bicycle at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions then existing.

FWC 74.36 Yield When Emerging From Alleys or Driveways.

The operator of a bicycle emerging from an alley, driveway or building shall, upon approaching a sidewalk or the sidewalk area extending across any alleyway, yield the right-of-way to all pedestrians approaching on such sidewalk or sidewalk area, and upon entering the roadway shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles approaching on such roadway.

FWC 74.38 Yield to Pedestrians When Riding on Sidewalk Area.

(a) Whenever any person is riding a bicycle upon a sidewalk, such person shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian and shall give an audible signal before overtaking and passing such pedestrian.

(b) No person shall operate a moped or motorized bicycle on any sidewalk.

IC 9-21-11-2 Roadways; Must Obey Traffic Laws

A person riding a bicycle or operating a Class B motor driven cycle upon a roadway has all the rights and duties under this article that are applicable to a person who drives a vehicle, except the following: (1) Special regulations of this article. (2) Those provisions of this article that by their nature have no application.

IC 9-21-11-3 Operation; seats; passengers

(a) A person propelling a bicycle may not: (1) ride other than upon the permanent and regular seat attached to the bicycle; or (2) carry any other person upon the bicycle who is not seated upon a firmly attached and regular seat on the bicycle.

(b) A person may not ride upon a bicycle unless seated under this section.

IC 9-21-11-4 Number of passengers

A bicycle may not be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which the bicycle is designed and equipped.

IC 9-21-11-6 Lane use restrictions; riding two abreast

A person riding a bicycle upon a roadway may not ride more than two abreast except on paths or parts of roadways set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles.

IC 9-21-11-7 Items preventing proper use of handlebars

A person who rides a bicycle may not carry a package, a bundle, or an article that prevents the person from keeping both hands upon the handlebars.

IC 9-21-11-9 Lamps and reflectors

A bicycle operated on a highway from one-half hour after sunset until one-half hour before sunrise must be equipped with the following: (1) A lamp on the front exhibiting a white light visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the front. (2) A lamp on the rear exhibiting a red light visible from a distance of 500 feet to the rear or a red reflector visible from a distance of 500 feet to the rear.

IC 9-21-11-10 Brakes Required

A bicycle must be equipped with a brake that will enable the person who operates the bicycle to make the braked wheels skid on dry, level, clean pavement.

IC 9-21-17-3 Pedestrians must obey traffic control device

A pedestrian shall obey the instructions of an official traffic control device specifically applicable to the pedestrian, unless otherwise directed by a police officer.

IC 9-21-17-9 Pedestrians must use Marked crosswalks

Between adjacent intersections at which traffic control signals are in operation, pedestrians may not cross at any place except in a marked crosswalk.

IC 9-21-17-10 Pedestrians must not cross at intersections diagonally

A pedestrian may not cross a roadway intersection diagonally unless authorized by official traffic control devices. When authorized to cross diagonally, pedestrians shall cross only in accordance with the official traffic control devices pertaining to diagonal crossing movements.

IC 9-21-17-11 Pedestrians must use right half of Crosswalks

Pedestrians shall move, whenever practicable, upon the right half of crosswalks.