

You must stop at a “Stop” sign.



A lot of traffic accidents causing injury happen at the intersections. You must stop at a “Stop” sign, and look both ways for oncoming traffic.

Bicycles must keep to the left.



Bicycles are classified as vehicles. Keep to the left on roadways. If you keep to the right, it's difficult to avoid oncoming bicycles, and you may be involved in the traffic accidents causing serious injuries.

Ride on roadways is principle, and use sidewalks only in exceptional cases.
(Pedestrians take priority over bicycles on sidewalks.)



【In case riding on sidewalks】

You must go slow (at the speed you can stop at once) on **roadway sides from the center of sidewalks**. You must stop when you think that you are impeding the flow of pedestrians.

Bicycles must go on roadways in principle. Riding on sidewalks is exceptional as in the following cases:

- In case where a rider is a child under 13, or an adult over 70
- In case where a signpost indicates you can ride



※A bicycle that can go on sidewalks indicates “a standard bicycle.”

Bicycles must go in a line.



Bicycles must go in a line. If you ride in parallel, you obstruct other vehicular or pedestrians' traffic and it may also cause an accident by looking aside while riding or a traffic accident between bicycles going in parallel.

You must not use smartphones, or not listen to music while riding!



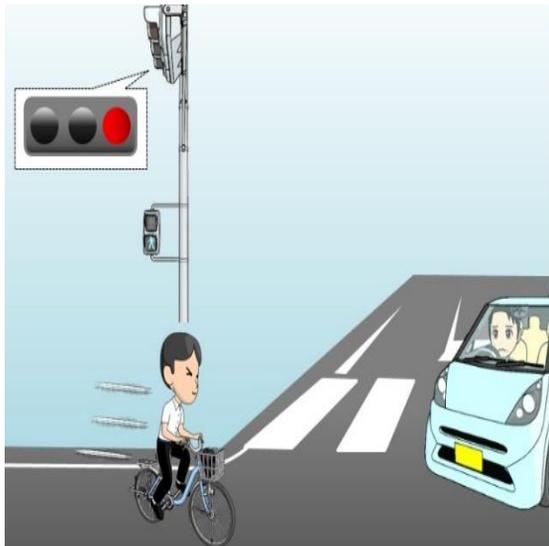
“Using smartphones” or “listening to music through earphones” while riding may cause the traffic accidents because of little regard for your surroundings.

You must not ride with an umbrella up, you must use a raincoat.



If you hold an umbrella while riding, you can't operate a handlebar or a brake properly because you ride single-handed. It is also dangerous as you may lose the balance by wind blowing, or hit other cars or pedestrians with your umbrella. Use raincoats when it rains.

Check the traffic lights



Check the traffic lights that you have to obey. Obey the traffic lights in case of “Bicycles only,” or “Pedestrians and Bicycles only” attached. Obey the traffic lights for vehicles when riding on roadways, and the traffic lights for pedestrians when riding on sidewalks.



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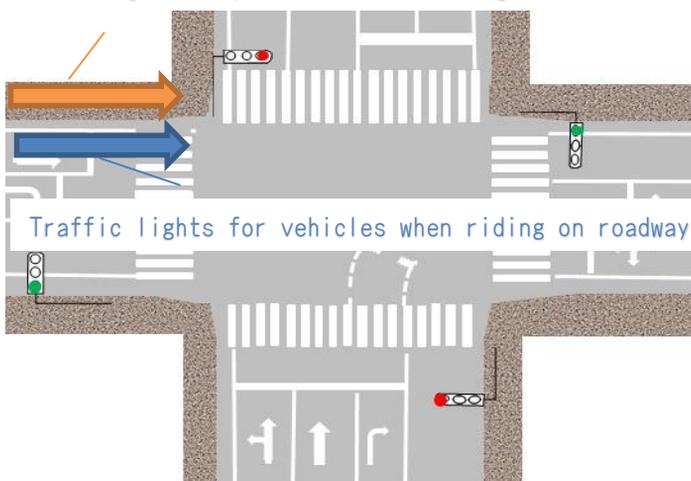
Traffic lights only for bicycles



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Traffic lights only for pedestrians and bicycles

Traffic lights for pedestrians when riding on sidewalks



Traffic lights for vehicles when riding on roadways

Turn on the lights when it gets dark



It is dangerous to ride without lights. It would be possible to

- check the way where you are moving
- let other vehicles know your presence

Turn on the lights when it gets dark.