

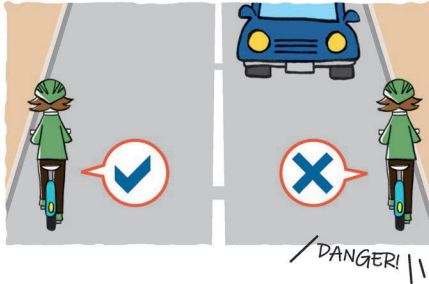
Bicycles Are Vehicles Too!

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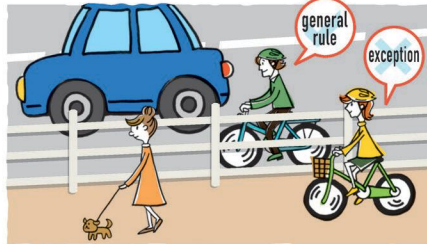
Don't Forget to Follow Traffic Rules!

Five Rules for Bicycle Safety

1 In Principle, Cyclists Should Stick to the Road Whenever Possible.



Bicycles must stay on the left side of the road. Don't ride on the right!



When Can You Ride a Bicycle on the Sidewalk?

- If there is a "pedestrians and bicycles" sign or marking on the sidewalk
- If you're under 13, 70 or older, or have a physical disability
- If the road or traffic conditions leave you no alternative



Pedestrians always have the right of way on sidewalks. If there is a chance you might block pedestrians, stop for them.

2 Obey the traffic lights and stop signs at intersections, and look both ways before continuing



Always come to a full stop at stop signs, and look both ways to make sure it's safe to continue.

3 Use your bicycle's headlight once it starts to get dark out



Your headlight helps drivers and pedestrians see you. It's also good to wear bright-colored clothing.

4 Do not drive under the influence of alcohol



Drunk driving is illegal for bicycles as well.

5 Wear a helmet



When you ride your bike, wear a helmet. For children in junior high school or younger, their parents should ensure they wear their helmets.

Never Do This While Riding a Bicycle!

Don't Wear Earphones While Riding



It's dangerous to wear earphones while riding, because you can't hear important sounds for safety, like emergency vehicle sirens, car horns, or people's voices!

Don't Drive With One Hand



Driving with one hand is incredibly dangerous! It distracts you from paying attention to your surroundings and you won't be able to steer or brake reliably!

Don't Ride Side-By-Side



Riding side-by-side is dangerous because it forces one of you to ride too close to the cars on the road and it can also obstruct other traffic!



Make Sure You Have Bicycle Insurance!

Kanazawa City Requires Cyclists to Have Bicycle Liability Insurance.*

*Regulation Regarding the Promotion of Safe Bicycle Use in Kanazawa City

(As of April 1, 2018)



High Liability Case: ¥95.21 million (Kobe District Court, 2013)

An elementary school boy riding his bicycle home at night had a head-on collision with a woman who was walking, leaving her unconscious.

Insurance Check Flowchart

Do you have bicycle liability insurance* that would cover your liability for the injury or death of another party, such as if you were to have a bicycle collision that harmed someone else?

*TS Mark stickers, etc. on bicycles that have undergone inspection and maintenance indicate coverage through this insurance.

TS Mark

Liability Coverage: ¥100 Million (Maximum)

If you take your bicycle in for annual paid inspection and maintenance at a bicycle safety maintenance shop, the shop will put a TS Mark sticker on your bicycle.

Yes

Don't Know

No

Example Types of Bicycle Liability Insurance

Do you have any of the following types of insurance? Or, if you have insurance or are enrolled in cooperative insurance, does your basic coverage or a special rider qualify as bicycle liability insurance?

| Example Types of Insurance | | |
|--|------------------------|--|
| Fire Insurance Special Rider (Personal liability coverage special rider) | Group Insurance | Group Insurance through Industry Group Insurance, etc. |
| Automotive Insurance Special Rider | | PTA Insurance |
| Accident Insurance Special Rider | | Traffic Safety Association |
| Cooperative Insurance | | Insurance Included with Credit Card |
| | | Bicycle Insurance |
| | | Insurance Included with Bicycle Itself (TS Mark) |

- The names of these special riders can vary by insurance company, such as "personal liability coverage special rider," or "everyday life liability special rider." Additionally, credit cards and other services sometimes include coverage equivalent to bicycle liability insurance.
- You may also be covered by your family's insurance coverage.

Yes

Don't Know

No

You have bicycle liability insurance.

[Make sure your coverage is sufficient, and that the coverage period is still valid.]

Find your insurance policy, and check with your insurance company.

You need to enroll in bicycle liability insurance.

Partner Companies and Groups for the Bicycle Safety Promotion Project

Kanazawa City has partnered with the following general insurance companies and insurance cooperatives, to provide information on and promote bicycle liability insurance. If you have any questions about insurance, please contact one of the organizations listed below.

Scan for More Details (Japanese)



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| Company or Group | Aioi Nissay Dowa Insurance Co., Ltd. | Contact | https://www.aioinissaydowa.co.jp/english/ |
| | Sompo Japan Insurance Inc. | | 0120-403-196 |
| | Tokio Marine & Nichido Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. | | 0120-677-221 |
| | Mitsui Sumitomo Insurance Co., Ltd. | | 0120-632-277 https://www.ms-ins.com/english/ |
| | Kanazawa Citizens Mutual Aid Co-op | | 0120-16-9431 (Co-op Kyosai Center) |
| | National Federation of Workers and Consumers Kyosai Cooperatives | | https://www.zenrosai.coop/english/english.html |