



CITY OF WHITEHORSE
Commuter Cycling Map



Plan your route
The best route by car may not be the best cycling route. Tell someone your route and return time. Be bear aware.

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Legend

- On street bicycle route (wide shoulder/cycle lane)
- Off street paved multi-use path
- Off street gravel multi-use path
- Local road
- Main road
- Gravel/dirt road
- Busy road – On street cyclists use with CAUTION
- Busy road – On street cyclists prohibited

Steep Hill (Direction points uphill)

Roundabout (Bicycles and vehicles merge)

Stairs with Bike Ramp

School

Park

Bike Shop

Museum

Hospital

Bike Locker

Central Business District - No riding on sidewalks

Required by Law*

Helmet*
Must wear an approved helmet - includes children in a bike trailer or on a trail-a-bike

Single File*
Ride single file except when passing

Bike lights*
Must use a white headlight and a red tail light between sunset and sunrise and at all times with reduced visibility (e.g. fog, smoke)

Use hand signals*
Let motorists and other cyclists know what you are doing – use the appropriate hand signal when turning or passing

Bike Lane*
Vehicles must not travel, stop or park in bike lanes.

Bike Ban*
Two Mile Hill Road surface from Alaska Highway to Second Avenue – cyclists must use the off-road trails on either side

Headphones*
Must not wear headphones that cover both ears

Sidewalk Riding*
May only ride on the sidewalk outside Central Business District if <12 years old (all year); or in winter when roadway/bike lanes are impassible.

Cycle Safe on Streets and Trails

Beware of car doors
Look into vehicles to anticipate doors opening on parked cars. Ride with your head up and look several metres ahead.

Be careful at intersections
Most collisions occur at intersections. Obey all traffic signals. Watch for turning vehicles.

Making a left turn
1. Signal and make the left turn as a vehicle
2. Cycle through the intersection, across as a pedestrian

Watch for right turns
On a shared street, do not pass cars on the right - you disappear into their blind-spot.

See and be seen
Establish eye contact to ensure motorists know you are there.

Ride in a straight line
Ride 0.5 m from the gutter to avoid hazards (e.g. broken glass and grates). Do not weave between parked cars or into side-streets

Scan the road
Shoulder check, signal, shoulder check when changing lanes. Consider using a mirror to monitor traffic

Be visible
Wear bright clothing with reflective tape

Be Alert on all routes
Scan ahead to anticipate and avoid path obstructions – broken glass, pot holes, debris & slippery sections (ice, loose gravel or silt)

Keep to the right
When using multi-use trails, stay on the right hand side of the trail. Move off of the trail when stopping for a rest.

Signal when passing
Use your voice or bell to inform others that you are passing. Yield to pedestrians on multi-use paths

Roundabouts
1. Merge with traffic to form a single lane, yield to traffic in the roundabout, signal as you exit
2. Dismount, walk, and use crosswalks

Year Round Cycling
Dress for the weather and be prepared for slippery and rough conditions. Avoid busy streets.

Bikes on the bus
Buses have a rack for 2 bicycles. Customers must load and unload bikes without driver assistance. No additional charge for bikes.

Bike Locker
Lockers are for day use only and protect bikes and panniers from vandalism, theft and weather. Cyclists must provide own locks.

Lock your bike when unattended