

# How to safely share the streets with one another

More and more people are choosing to walk and bicycle in our neighborhoods and business districts because it is convenient, healthy and fun. This is great for local business.

**Bike Local = Shop Local**

## Safety tips while driving a car

*- from the American Automobile Association*

- Pay attention. Avoid driving distractions.
- Slow down near people biking and walking.
- Give people on bikes 3' clearance when passing – it's the law.
- Look for people on bicycles before opening your car door.
- Be aware of oncoming bicyclists when making a left turn.
- Check your blind spot for bicyclists before turning right.

## Safety tips while riding a bicycle

### **Be Visible**

Don't hug the curb. Ride with the flow of traffic, not against it. (CVC 21650)

### **Light at Night**

Ride with a white front light and reflectors. (CVC 21201)  
To be most easily seen, a rear light and white clothing are recommended.

### **Signs and Stops**

Stop at red lights and stop signs. (CVC 21200)  
Communicate change of direction.

### **Take the Lane**

When riding next to parked cars or when riding in a narrow lane, if you feel safer - take the lane and ride outside the door zone. (CVC 21202)

If you feel safer outside the bike lane, you can ride in other vehicle travel lanes. Merge when safe and signal when changing lanes. (CVC 21208)

### **Pedestrians have Right of Way**

In the crosswalk or not, bike riders and drivers are required to yield to pedestrians. (CVC 21954 (b))

### **Sidewalks & Safety**

If you feel safer, it is legal to ride on sidewalks in Redding unless otherwise posted. (RMC 13.12.070)  
Yield to pedestrians. Slow at driveways and look for entering and exiting cars.

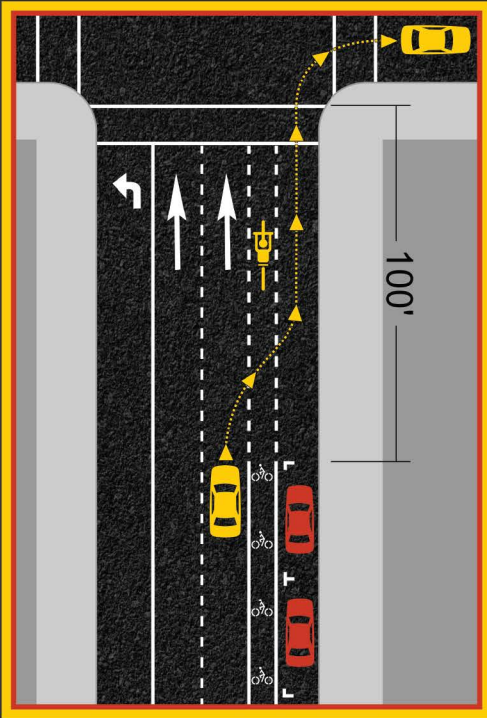
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# Right Turn Across Bike Lane



## Cars

A bike lane is a travel lane, and you should always turn from the lane closest to the curb.

Signal, merge right, then make turn once it is deemed safe.

Move to the curb lane 50-100 feet before the intersection.

Yield to any traffic already in the turn lane. If a bicycle is in the turn lane, treat it just as you would a car and patiently wait your turn.



## Bicycles

Look for turn signal and avoid driver's blind spot.

Stay in bike lane to pass through intersection. Watch for vehicles entering the right turn lane. Right turning vehicles and bicycles use right turn lane.



**Living Streets are streets that work for business and community because they work for people.**

- Transportation is at the heart of a city's prosperity. 40% of trips are two miles or less.
- Trips by bicycle are convenient and fast. A person traveling an easy pace on a bicycle can cover a mile in about 6 minutes.
- Trips by bicycle keep more money in your pocket. The average working class family now spends more on transportation than on housing.
- In California Caltrans reports walking and biking is up 22%, and driving is down 12%.

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