

Safe bicycle riding



Obey traffic rules

- “A bicycle is classified as a vehicles”. Cycle on the left side of the roadway.
- Obey traffic signals.
- You must come to a complete stop at intersections with stop signs and check both directions before proceeding.
- Pedestrians have the right of way on sidewalks and even when cycling is permitted on sidewalks. You must cycle slowly on the side closer to the roadway.

【You may ride a standard bicycle on a sidewalk if:】

- road signs or road markings permit cyclists to use on the sidewalk
- a cyclist is a child, an elderly person, or a person with a disability
- cycling on the left side of the roadway is difficult due to construction work or parked vehicles
cycling on the roadway is considered dangerous due to heavy traffic, narrow roads, or similar conditions



Road sign



Road marking



✗ Failure to obey a traffic signal



✗ Failure to stop at a stop sign



✗ Distracted cycling



✗ Cycling under the influence of alcohol

Traffic infractions notification procedure for cyclists (Effective April 1, 2026)

Traffic infraction notification procedure (so-called “Blue traffic ticket”) is applicable to traffic violations committed by cyclists.

- Persons aged 16 or over are subject to this procedure
- More than 100 types of traffic violations are covered under this procedure
- Traffic violation fees for bicycles are the same as those for motorized bicycles



[Osaka Prefectural Police website](#)
The application of traffic infraction notification procedure for cyclists

Examples of traffic violations and fees

Using a cell phone while cycling	12,000 yen
Entering a railway crossing while alarming	7,000 yen
Failure to obey a traffic signal	6,000 yen
Failure to stop at a stop sign	5,000 yen



You must wear a bicycle helmet

The most common cause of death in traffic accidents involving cyclists is **head injuries**.



Almost all fatalities caused by head injuries occur when cyclists **are not wearing bicycle helmets**.

All cyclists must wear a bicycle helmet !



Wear a bicycle helmet to save your life . . .

~Let's make wearing bicycle helmets the norm~

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