

# Bicycling the Olympic Peninsula

## Eastern Clallam & Eastern Jefferson County Bicycle Maps

**Introduction** These maps were intended to provide information to cyclists so that they can make their own decisions as to which route is suited for their skill level. Facilities on the Olympic Peninsula range from narrow roads with no shoulders to roads with bike lanes or wide shoulders, separated trails with no motorized traffic to off-road mountain bike trails. Likewise, vehicular traffic varies from low to high on the roads throughout the area.

The roads have been coded with input from local bicycle commuters, recreational cyclists and transportation planners using criteria important to bicyclists. Grade, pavement condition, paved shoulder width, vehicle travel lane width, traffic volumes and speed were some of the factors used in determining the suitability of the roads. The suitability index of the roads should only be used as a guide. Cyclists should be prepared to make their own evaluations; experienced cyclists may feel comfortable on medium and heavy traffic routes, while beginning and amateur riders may prefer to stick to routes with designated bike lanes or lower traffic volumes.

### Map Legend

<b>4ft + Shoulder</b> 	<b>2ft to 4ft Shoulder</b> 	<b>No Shoulder</b> 	
			Low Traffic
			Medium Traffic
			Medium to Heavy Traffic
			High Speed & Heavy Traffic
<b>Caution Area: narrow roads, poor visibility or no shoulders</b>			

<b>Olympic Discovery Trail:</b> <b>Off-road</b> <b>On-Road</b>	
<b>Gravel Road</b>	<b>Roads Not Classified</b>
<b>Mountain Bike Trail</b>	<b>Powerlines</b>
<b>Forest Roads</b>	<b>Stream</b>

NOTE: The legend indicates general conditions, actual conditions and shoulder widths may vary unexpectedly.

<b>State Route</b> <b>US Highway</b> <b>Hill</b> <b>Steep Hill</b> <b>Narrow Bridge</b> <b>Viewpoint</b> <b>Grocery/Foodmart</b> <b>Bike Shop</b> <b>School</b>	<b>Visitor Information</b> <b>Restrooms</b> <b>Hospital</b> <b>Parking</b> <b>Campsite</b> <b>Hostel</b> <b>Airport</b> <b>Rural Bus Route</b> <b>Off-Road Bike Trails</b>
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### Using this Map

- Know your level of skill and comfort in sharing the roadways with motor vehicles and trucks.
- Use the legend to determine the route and destination that matches your skill and comfort level.
- Note that road conditions can change and construction schedules can impact cycling conditions.
- Be aware that morning and evening rush hours add considerable volumes of traffic to the roadways. Traffic volumes are also higher in the summer months.
- Follow the Rules of the Road.
- Ride at your own risk and ride safely.



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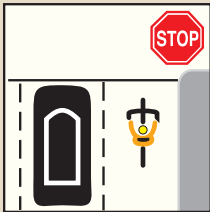
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# Bicycling the Olympic Peninsula

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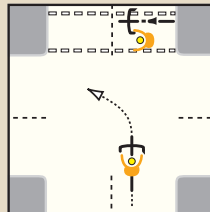
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## **SAME ROADS • SAME RIGHTS • SAME RULES** **Be Visible • Wear a Helmet • Be Alert • Have Fun**



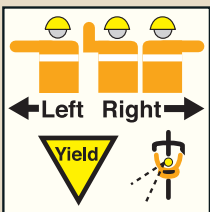
RCW 46.61.755 states:  
**Traffic laws apply to persons riding bicycles.**

Obey all traffic signs, signals and laws. Ride in the same direction as traffic.



Choose the best way to turn left:

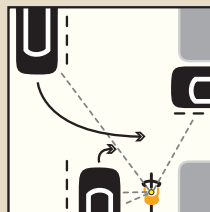
- LIKE a CAR—scan behind, yield, signal and when safe, move into the left lane and turn left.
- LIKE a PEDESTRIAN—dismount and walk your bike across the intersection in the crosswalk.



Signal before turns and lane changes.

Check behind and ahead before turning.

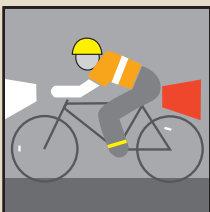
Yield to vehicles with the right-of-way.



Ride defensively. Be aware of other vehicles.

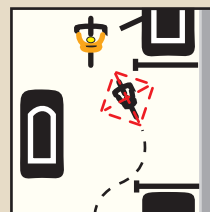
Do not pass on the right.

**CAUTION:** Always watch for cars stopping or turning.



Be visible day or night.  
Wear bright clothes.

RCW 46.61.780 states:  
**At night you must have a headlight and taillight or red rear reflector.**



Ride predictably.

Leave adequate space between you and parked cars.

Be careful of opening car doors.

Do not weave in and out of parked cars and traffic.



Be courteous.

Audibly alert pedestrians as you approach.

Yield to pedestrians in the crosswalk.

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