

BICYCLE IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM

Surname:	
First Name:	Middle Initial:
Address:	
City/Town:	
Postal Code:	
Home Phone # () -	
Business Phone # () -	
Cellular Phone # () -	
Bicycle Serial Number:	
Police Registration Number:	
Make:	Model:
Colour:	Frame Size:
Male / Female:	
Accessories:	
Date:	
Owner's Signature:	

Please register your bicycle
on-line at www.yrp.ca/bikeregistration



**Police
Confirmation #**



**Fill in particulars on this page
and keep for your own records.**

Personal information on this form is collected under the authority of the Police Services Act, Section 31, and will be used to assist police in identifying rightful ownership of bicycles that are turned into the police. Questions about this collection should be directed to the Officer in Charge of the Community Services Bureau.

** Retention time of recorded information ????

Always Lock Your Bike

Thieves will steal an entire bicycle, or they may steal items attached to the bike that are not securely fastened.

- Always lock your bike when it is left unattended even if it is for a short period of time.
- Always keep your bicycle locked, even in a garage or on a porch.
- Lock both wheels and the frame to a bike rack or object. This also prevents your bicycle from falling over. If you only lock one wheel, your bicycle can be quickly detached and carried away.
- If you don't need a quick release seat and wheels, replace them with standard bolts. If you do want quick release items, take them with you or lock them to your frame.
- Take lights, mirrors, bags and panniers with you, along with anything else that is not securely fastened.
- Consider riding an inexpensive bicycle for everyday use and short trips.

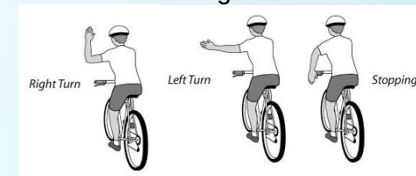


Ride Safely

REMEMBER: You are sharing the roadway with other vehicles and pedestrians.

Safety Tips

- Wear reflective clothing and ensure your bike reflectors are clean and visible.
- Ride single file when riding with others.
- Make eye contact with drivers around you.
- Never pass on the right as you approach an intersection, especially if the vehicle ahead is turning right.
- Always use hand signals and check over shoulder when turning.



Helmets

- Always wear a helmet.
- Effective October 1st 1995, the law required all cyclists under age 18 to wear an approved bicycle helmet.
- Parents and guardians shall not knowingly permit cyclists under the age of sixteen years to ride without a helmet.
- A properly fitted helmet can reduce the risk of serious head and brain injury by 85 percent.

Equipment

- If you ride between dusk and dawn, your bicycle must have a white front light and a rear red light or reflector.
- Your bicycle must also be equipped with white reflective tape on the front forks and red reflective tape on the rear forks.
- Your bicycle must be equipped with a bell or horn in good working order.
- Your bicycle must have at least one brake system on the rear wheel.

Rules of the Road

Your bicycle is a vehicle under the Ontario Highway Traffic Act. This means as a bicycle rider, you have the same rights and responsibilities to obey all the traffic laws as other road users.

- Road signs and traffic signals are for all vehicles including bicycles.
- Signal all lane changes, turns, slowing or stopping with hand signals.
- Do not ride within a crosswalk.



- Pull over and stop for all emergency vehicles.
- Allow pedestrians the right-of-way.
- Cyclists face the same penalties as motorists for careless driving
- Cyclists must identify themselves when stopped by the police for breaking traffic laws.
- No passengers are allowed on a bicycle designed for one person.
- You are not permitted to attach yourself to the outside of another vehicle or streetcar for the purpose of "hitching a ride".



York Regional Police Chief, Armand La Barge encourages members of the community to be active and Cycle Smart. Unfortunately, more bicycles on our roadways mean more opportunities for theft and injury. You can help keep your bike secure and ride safely by following the advice in this brochure.

TAKE ACTION!

- Register your bike
- Take a photo of your bike
- Record the serial number
- Keep original sales receipts
- Keep records of upgraded or new components

Register your bike with
York Regional Police on-line at www.yrp.ca,
Phone toll free,
1-866-8POLICE (1-866-876-5423)
or visit your local police station.

This will increase the chances of having your
bicycle returned
to you if it is lost or stolen.

Immediately inform the police if
your bicycle is lost or stolen.
You can report the theft on-line at www.yrp.ca,
Phone toll free,
1-866-8POLICE (1-866-876-5423)
or visit your local police station.

If you would like more information on this
subject, contact the Crime Prevention Officer
in your District or Community Services,
toll free: 1-866-8POLICE (1-866-876-5423)
Ext. 7980
Email: info@yrp.ca
or visit www.yrp.ca

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Avoid bicycle theft by
taking a few extra
precautions.

