BICYCLISTS: KNOW YOUR RIGHTS!

CYCLIST RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Bicycles are vehicles and have the same rights as cars
- Bicycles and cars must follow the same traffic rules
- When passing, cars must give bicycles at least 3 feet of clearance
- You don't need a driver's license to operate a bicycle
- There is no law requiring registration of your bicycle
- Ride as far right as practical, except when turning left, passing, or if it's unsafe
- Ride no more than 2 abreast, and no blocking traffic (but remember that bikes are traffic so group riding is okay)
- Signal your turns when able and use lights and reflectors at night

YOUR RIGHTS WHEN DEALING WITH POLICE

- You don't have to talk to police, ever. Don't answer any questions. Ask, "Am I being detained?" If not, walk away.
- You don't have to show ID unless you're being arrested.
- Police can't search you or your possessions unless you are under arrest. Say, "I do not consent to a search."
- If arrested, USE YOUR RIGHT TO REMAIN SILENT. All squad cars have recording devices. Don't talk in jail, either. Say, "I'm going to remain silent. I want to speak to a lawyer."

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