

Working Bicyclist Safety



Working Bicyclists Must



Obey Traffic Signs And Signals

- Bicyclists are subject to all applicable New York state and local laws, rules and regulations, including NYC Traffic Rules.



Stay Off Sidewalks And Limited Access Roadways



Never Ride Against Traffic

- Bicyclists cannot ride against the flow of traffic. Ride with traffic to avoid accidents.
- If available, bicyclists must use bicycle lanes.



Be Prepared

- Working bicyclists must wear upper body apparel with the business' name and the bicyclist's identification number.
- Bicyclists must carry and produce, on demand, a numbered business ID card with the bicyclist's photo, name, home address and business name, address and phone. It is recommended that the bicyclist also carry a second form of photo ID.



Be Safe

- Yield to pedestrians.
- Keep at least one hand on the handlebars at all times.
- Do not wear more than one earphone attached to radio, tape player or other audio device while riding.
- Do not attach bicycle to another vehicle being operated on the roadway.
- Any bicyclist involved in an accident resulting in property damage or injury must stop and give their name, address, insurance information, etc., and report the accident to the Police Department.



Wear A Helmet

- While working, bicyclists must wear a properly fitted bicycle helmet.



Be Visible

- From dusk to dawn, bicyclists must use a white headlight and red taillight.
- Stay visible at night with light-clothing and reflective materials.

Business Owners Who Employ Working Bicyclists Must

Provide their bicyclists with the following:

- A bicycle helmet in good condition which fits properly
- Upper body apparel with the business name and bicyclist's identification number
- Numbered business ID card with the bicyclist's photo, name, home address and the business name, address and phone
- A white headlight and red taillight
- A bell or other audible signal (not whistle)
- Working brakes
- Reflective tires and/or other reflective devices on new bicycles

Businesses must maintain a log book which must be available for inspection during regular and usual business hours.

Some of the responsibilities listed above are imposed by law and failure to comply with them may subject violators to legal sanctions. Every business that employs working bicyclists must conspicuously post this notice in a manner visible to employees and patrons. This notice must be posted in English, Spanish, and other languages spoken by bicyclists employed by the business.



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