

SHARE THE ROAD



Why do drivers need education about sharing roads with bikes?

- More bicyclists (recreation and transportation)
- Usually little or no training for cyclists, motorists on safe interactions on the roads
- Leads to bad behaviors, mistakes, fear, anger/road rage, decreased safety

What's our Objective?

- To encourage drivers to share the road with bicyclists.
- To improve new drivers' understanding of bicyclists' actions and legal status on the road.
- To reduce car/bicyclist fatalities and injuries through bicycle awareness training for new drivers

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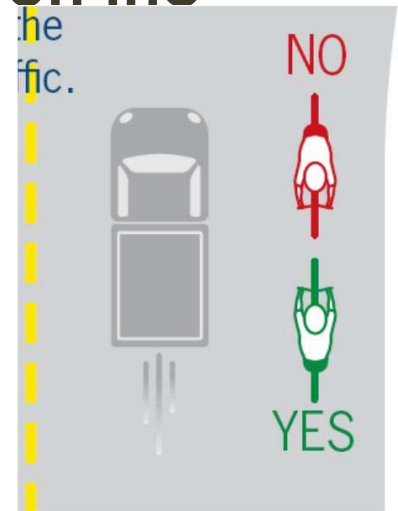
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AND, it's the law!

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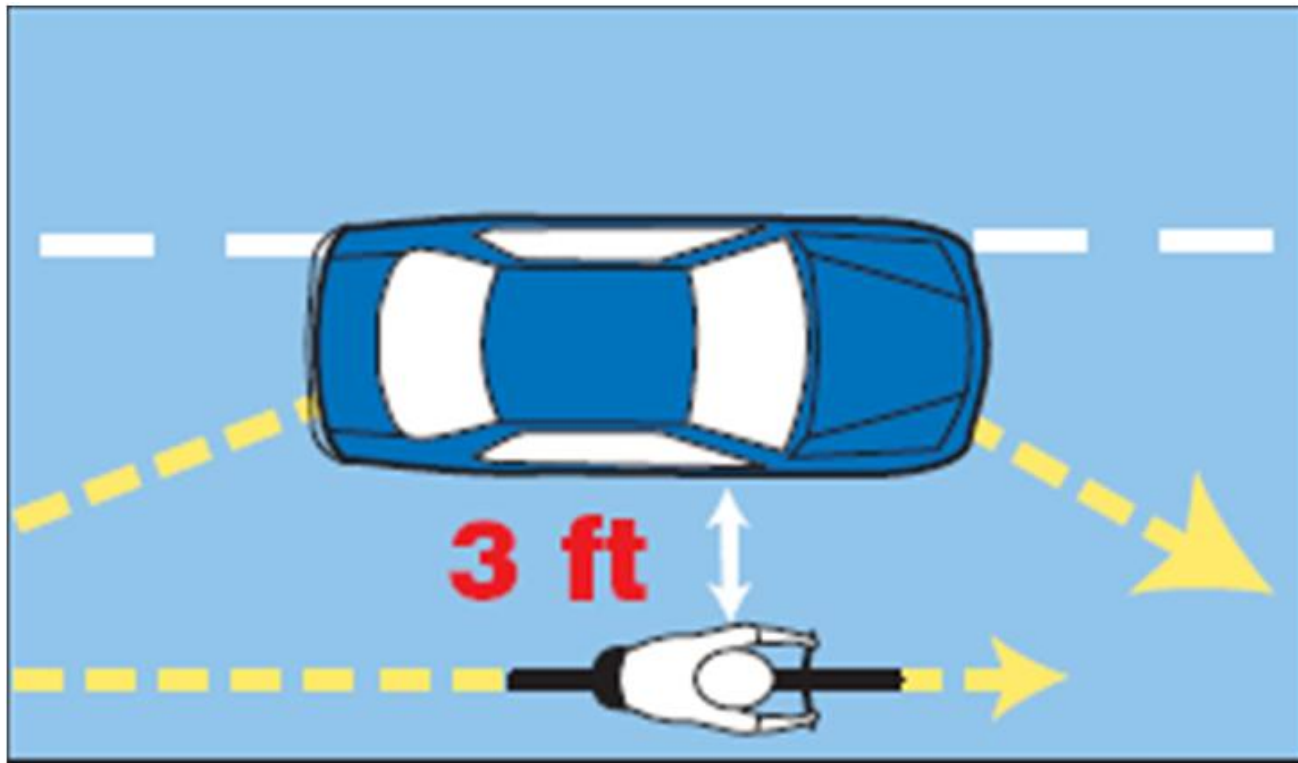
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- *With less than three feet, the driver and cyclist have less space for safe maneuvering. More is better.*

Lane Sharing



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State law says that bicyclists should ride as close to the right side of the road as practical, with some common sense exceptions.

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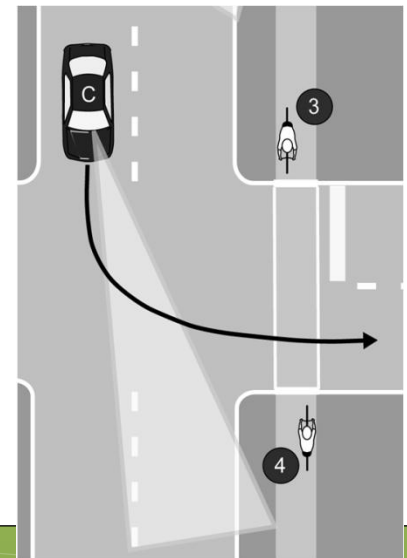
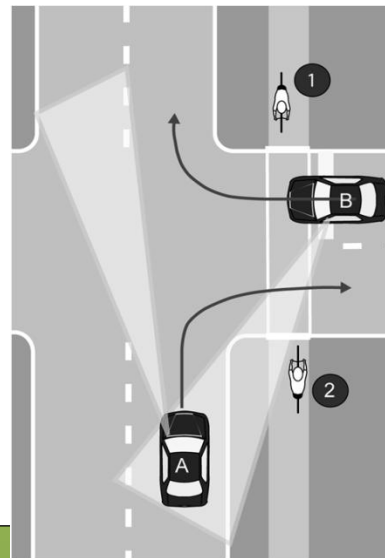
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- Bicyclists should use only bike lanes and bike paths. *Streets are usually needed to bike to where cyclists are going, such as school, work, errands, other destinations.*



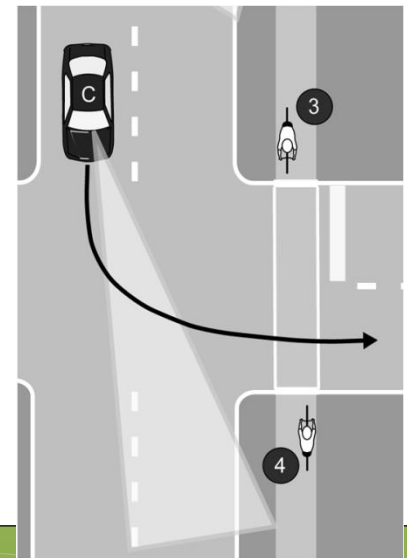
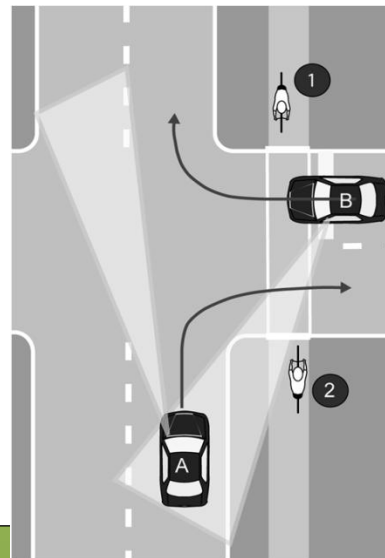
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- *Before safely proceeding into an intersection from a stop sign, a driver must be alert to all traffic. Stop at stop lines!*

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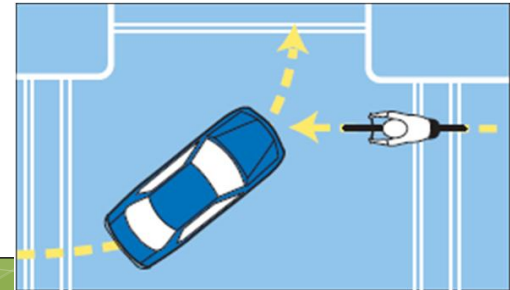
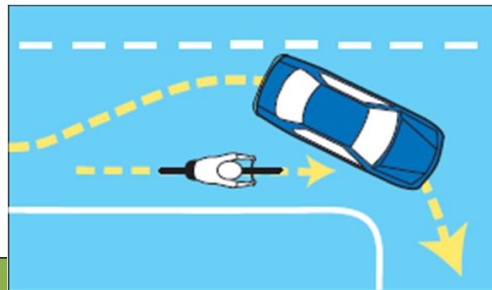
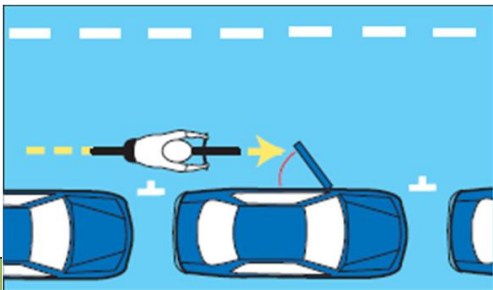
Driving requires being alert for others' actions and mistakes at all times, not just at intersections.



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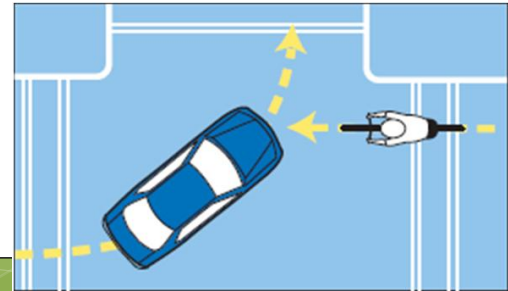
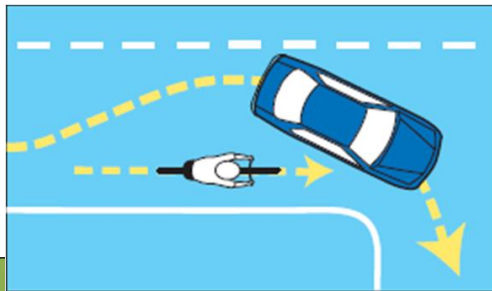
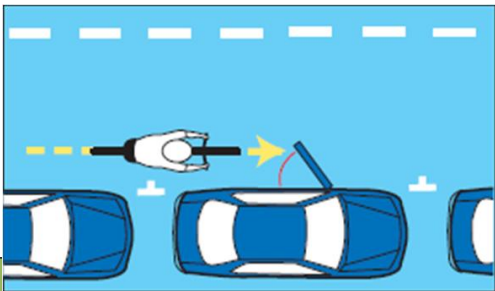
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Remember...

- On narrow roads, drivers may have to be patient and wait awhile to pass, instead of risking a dangerous collision.

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Drivers and bicyclists share the road equally. Both should take turns according to standard right-of-way rules.

Question 12

True or False?

Cyclists do not need to wear a helmet if they are experienced at riding in the street.

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FALSE

- Although the LAW may not require you to wear a helmet in every state, the decision to wear a helmet could save your life.
- Check on bike helmet laws in the AAA Digest of Motor Laws.

<http://drivinglaws.aaa.com/laws/bicycles>