CYCLIST SAFETY TIPS

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Tips for Staying Safe

1. Ride defensively and be alert!

2. No texting while riding

3. Don't assume drivers see you; make eye contact before turning or moving through intersections

4. Watch out for slippery, wet leaves and pavement when riding

5. Ride in a straight line on the road so the drivers can see you and expect you from a distance

6. Keep at least three feet away from parked cars (to avoid getting hit by a car door)

7. Wear bright colored, reflective clothing when riding

8. Display a white light on the front of your bike and a red light on the back of your bike to increase visibility

9. No side-by-side riding on narrow streets

10. Yell "on your left/right" when passing another cyclist or pedestrian to signify where you are

11. Keep your hands on the handlebars as much as possible

12. Don't use ear buds/listen to music when riding

13. Use a helmet light and mirror when riding

14. Check your bike for maintenance issues before your ride

15. Always lock your bike when it is parked

Traffic Laws

1. Wear a properly strapped and buckled helmet at all times

2. Ride in the same direction as traffic

3. Stop at all stop signs and obey traffic signals

4. Only 1 ear bud is allowed while riding

5. Use correct hand signals when making turns and stopping

6. Walk your bikes in crosswalks

7. Riding on sidewalks is only permitted for children under 10 years old in Cupertino

8. When a road is too narrow to allow bikes and cars side-by-side safely, a cyclist can legally take the lane and ride in the center

9. Pedestrians have the right of way in crosswalks, on walkways, and on paths

10. Do not advance across a crosswalk until pedestrians are successfully across

11. Yield to other road users that have the right-of-way (this include bicycles, motorists, and pedestrians)

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