

ALAMEDA COUNTY RESOURCE INFORMATION

- Alameda County Sheriff's Department
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- Alameda County Public Health Department
(510) 267-8000
www.acphd.org
- Alameda County Public Works Agency
(510) 670-5480
www.acgov.org/pwa/
- California State Automobile Association
(800) 922-8228
www.csaa.com/home
- East Bay Bicycle Coalition
(510) 433-7433
www.ebbc.org/
- Alameda County Board of Supervisors
(510) 272-6984
www.acgov.org/board
- California Highway Patrol (Castro Valley)
(510) 581-9028
www.chp.ca.gov/offices/offices.html
- California Highway Patrol (Dublin)
(925) 828-0466
www.chp.ca.gov/offices/offices.html
- Department of Motor Vehicles
(800) 777-0133
www.dmv.ca.gov
- Caltrans
(510) 286-4444
www.dot.ca.gov



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ALAMEDA COUNTY SHARE THE ROAD SAFETY PROGRAM



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The Alameda County Share the Road safety program was developed to educate people about how to prevent accidents, injuries, and deaths by sharing the road safely with other types of vehicles. Whether you are driving your car, SUV, truck, RV, motorcycle, riding your bicycle, or walking, you share the road with other vehicles and drivers. Road safety is a high priority in Alameda County. In this brochure, you will find safety tips and resource information that you can use to make our roads safer for everyone.



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TEN SAFETY TIPS FOR MOTORISTS, BICYCLISTS AND PEDESTRIANS

Motorist Safety Tips

1. Give driving your full attention. Keep your eyes on the road. If you need to attend to another matter while driving, safely pull over in a parking lot or rest stop.
2. If you must use a cell phone, use a hands-free speakerphone, which allows you to keep both hands on the wheel while you drive.
3. Always yield to pedestrians and bicyclists at marked or unmarked crosswalks, especially when turning right on red light.
4. When you pass a bicyclist, reduce your speed and give at least 3 feet of space between your vehicle and the bicycle.
5. Children can be unpredictable. Slow down in school zones, near parks and in residential areas.
6. When turning at an intersection, with or without a traffic signal, look for pedestrians, especially seniors and children, crossing from all directions.
7. Stop **BEHIND** the stop bar at all intersections. Do not stop in the crosswalk.
8. Don't blast your horn when approaching a bicyclist. This may startle them and cause them to swerve or crash in front of you.
9. On curving, narrow roads you should slow down, especially if pedestrians and bicyclists share the road.
10. Never drink and drive.



SHARE THE ROAD SAFETY WARNING SIGN

Share the Road safety signs are usually posted on roads that have at least one of the following criteria:

- o Roadways with significant number of auto and bicycle trips
- o Roadways with auto-bicycle accident history
- o Roadways with narrow lanes, lacking paved shoulders



Alameda County residents may suggest locations for Share the Road signs in unincorporated areas based upon the criteria above.

Bicyclist Safety Tips



1. Bicyclists on public streets have the same rights and responsibilities as automobile drivers. CVC 21200(a)
2. Bicyclists must wear a helmet when riding.
3. Bicyclists riding on the roadway must always ride with the flow of traffic. CVC 21650.1
4. A bicyclist may ride on the sidewalk unless forbidden by local laws; always give the right of way to pedestrians.
5. A bicyclist is not allowed to wear headphones, headset, or any other listening device except a hearing aide while riding.
6. Assure bicycle readiness. Make sure your bicycle is in good riding condition. Check tires, brake, and seat and handlebar location.
7. See and be seen. Wear clothes that make you more visible. Always beware of traffic around you.
8. Only pass when it is safe and avoid passing another cyclist at the same time a vehicle is passing in the same direction. CVC 21750
9. Bicyclists must ride in a straight line as near to the right curb or edge of roadway as practical. CVC 21202(a)
10. Stop and look all ways before entering the street.

Pedestrian Safety Tips

1. STOP! LOOK! AND LISTEN! in all directions before stepping into the road, even at signalized intersection.
2. Be predictable and cross directly from curb to curb, staying within the marked area or a straight pathway.
3. Whenever you cross an intersection, BE ALERT! Motorists and bicyclists will not always see you.
4. Find a crosswalk or safe place to cross the street where you can see traffic.
5. Never enter the street from between parked cars, because oncoming traffic may not see you.
6. Use caution when crossing intersections and streets. Remember, trucks, buses, cars, motorcycles, and bicyclists, all have different stopping capabilities.
7. Never cross the street when the DON'T WALK sign is flashing. Wait until the WALK signal flashes.
8. At night BE VISIBLE! Wear bright colors or reflective clothing and carry a flashlight.
9. If there are no sidewalks and you must walk on the road, stay on the shoulder, walking so you're facing traffic, and stay alert to all vehicles.
10. Don't obstruct the flow of traffic by standing or playing in the roadway.

Call 911 in emergencies to report accidents, impaired or aggressive drivers, crimes or fires. Be concerned, courteous, and cooperative...

"Share the Road – Save a Life."

