



"Austin's bike network is not just for people riding bicycles!"  
 "La red de bicicletas de Austin no es solo para personas que andan en bicicleta!"

Electric bicycle – is a bicycle that has an electric motor, cannot go faster than 20 mph, and does not weigh over 100 lbs. Electric bicycles, or e-bikes, may use motor vehicle lanes, bike paths, trails, or sidewalks.

Electric scooter – or "motor-assisted scooter" refers to a scooter that has a motor smaller than 40 cubic centimeters. Electric scooter riders may use motor vehicle lanes, bike paths, or sidewalks. Within parklands, scooter use is limited to roads and paved trails or sidewalks.

Pedestrian hybrid beacons (PHBs) are pedestrian-activated warning devices which help pedestrians safely cross major roadways where there isn't a traffic signal.

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# AUSTIN, TEXAS BIKE MAP



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[AustinTexas.gov/Bicycle](http://AustinTexas.gov/Bicycle)  
[AustinTexas.gov/UrbanTrails](http://AustinTexas.gov/UrbanTrails)

For bike laws specific to Austin, visit:  
[bit.ly/ATXbikelaws](http://bit.ly/ATXbikelaws)

For a complete description of State traffic laws applicable to bicyclists, visit:  
[bit.ly/TexasTransportationCode](http://bit.ly/TexasTransportationCode)

Email feedback to Austin's bicycle staff  
 Envíe sus comentarios por email a personal de bicicletas de Austin a  
[bicycle@austintexas.gov](mailto:bicycle@austintexas.gov)

*Thanks for riding!*

**Disclaimer:** The City of Austin assumes no liability for bicyclists traveling on these routes. Bicyclists assume a risk while using these routes identical to the risks assumed on all other roadways.

Always check your A's (Air), B's (Brakes), C's (Chain) and D's (Drop) before riding! Dropping your bike a few inches above the ground ensures there are no loose or rattling parts.

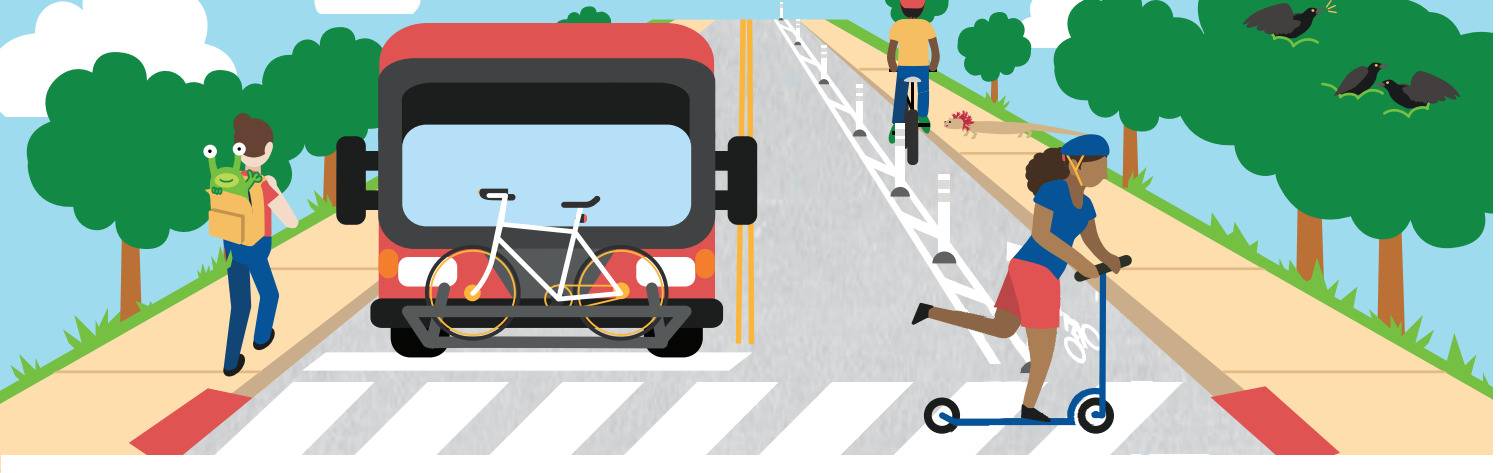
How to say "bike" in some of Austin's most common languages:

- American Sign Language:
- Sanskrit: साइकिल (Saikil)
- Hindi/Urdu: साइकिल (Saikil)
- Spanish: Bicicleta
- Vietnamese: Xe đạp
- German: Fahrrad
- French: Vélo
- Arabic: دراجة (diraja)
- Burmese: ဗိုလ်စီးဘီး (Se-bane)

**DROP** SOLTAR  
**BRAKE** FRENO  
**AIR** AIRE  
**CHAIN** CADENA  
**TIRE** LLANTA  
**WHEEL** RUEDA

**BIKING BY BUS**  
 Bike or scooter to the bus stop. Park at the bus stop or put your bike on the bus or on the MetroRail train for long-distance trips. Most stops have bike racks and several MetroRail stations have secure bike parking shelters. Email [bicycle@austintexas.gov](mailto:bicycle@austintexas.gov) to request a bike rack. For more information, visit [capmetro.org/bike](http://capmetro.org/bike).

Other non-motorized users may use the bike lanes, too. If you're on a scooter, remember to follow the rules of the road and when riding on the sidewalk, always ride slowly and yield to pedestrians.



Green bike boxes at the front of a travel lane at signalized intersections provide bicyclists with a more visible space to wait for the green light.

Get the green bike light: Stop your bike above the grooves of the detector loop.

Turn left like a person driving, from the right most lane serving your direction, or choose to make a two-stage left turn. Look for the green queue box like the one to the right. You can also dismount and use crosswalks as a pedestrian.

Look for people on bikes! This maneuver known as the "right hook" can be fatal for people on bikes.

Watch out for blinkers and other clues: people driving will cross the bike lane for parking, turns, and to avoid road hazards.

Look for oncoming people on bikes before parking or opening your door.

In Austin, it is legal to ride your bike on the sidewalk unless signed. When riding on the sidewalk, remember to ride slowly, yield to pedestrians, and be polite.

Check behind you, signal, and take your position in the lane that serves your direction.

**LANE ENDS**  
 Watch for "LANE ENDS" signs. When a bike lane ends, you must merge into the travel lane. Signal and take your position in the lane that serves your direction.

Thoughtful interactions make for safe and friendly roadways. Do your part.

**ABOUT THE ROUTE CODING**  
 When biking, consider choosing different routes than you would when driving. Streets with protected bicycle lanes, trails, and quiet neighborhood streets are generally comfortable for people of all ages and abilities.

**HIGH COMFORT** Trails, protected bicycle lanes, and neighborhood streets with low traffic speeds and volumes.

**MEDIUM COMFORT** Roads with moderate-to-high speeds or traffic volumes with bicycle accommodations, or roads with low speeds and traffic volumes with shared lanes.

**LOW COMFORT** Roads with high traffic volumes and speeds and unprotected or nonexistent bicycle accommodations. Shown on map as key route connections.

**EXTREMELY LOW COMFORT** Not recommended for bicycle travel - use with extreme caution. Shown on map where route options are limited.

**HELPFUL SIDEWALKS** Shown next to a less-comfortable road. In Austin, it is legal to ride a bike on the sidewalk, just remember to ride slow and yield to pedestrians. Major Streets: Where no comfort level is shown, streets are not best for bicycling. Seek higher comfort alternate routes nearby.

**HOW TO BE A BIKE-FRIENDLY DRIVER**

**Parking tips:** Check for people on bikes before opening your car door. Do not park in a bike lane! Parking in a bike lane - even for a few seconds - can put people's lives at risk. When parking or pulling over for a moment, pull into a driveway or nearby parking space. To report an illegally parked vehicle, call 3-1-1 or use the 311 mobile app.

**While driving:** Give 3 feet when passing a bicyclist or other vulnerable road user (6 feet for large trucks and commercial vehicles). Everyone has the right to ride a bike in the general travel lane. There are many reasons why a bicyclist may take the lane, from debris in the bike lane to preparing to make a left turn. A sharrow (shows + arrow) indicates a bicycle route and provides helpful wayfinding for bicyclists. Never text while driving. Austin is a hands-free city, meaning the use of all electronic hand-held devices while driving is prohibited and may result in fines up to \$500.

