Cycling in New Westminster

Queensborough Bridge Interchange and Connections



Websites

City of New Westminster:
www.newwestcity.ca/transportation

HUB Your Cycling Connection
(formerly Vancouver Area Cycling Coalition):
bikehub.ca

Metro Vancouver cycling routes and information:
www.travelsmart.ca
www.translink.ca/en/Getting-Around/Cycling.aspx

New Westminster Bike Shops

Cap's Bicycle Shop, 434 East Columbia Street capsbicycleshop.com	604.524.3611
Custom Cycle, 616A 12th Street	604.526.3835

New Westminster Bike Rental & Tours

Cap's Rentals at the Quay River Market Bike rentals 150-810 Quayside Drive	604.999.9136
Cap's Bicycle Shop Sapperton Bike rentals 434 East Columbia Street	604.524.3611
Fraser River Bike Tours Operating out of both Cap's New Westminster locations www.fraserriverbiketours.com	604.999.9136

Symbols to know: Look for these on streets and signs

Bicycle: Indicates that you are on a bicycle route.

Dedicated bicycle lane: Buses, motorcycles and other motor vehicles are not permitted to travel or stop in this lane unless making a right turn onto a cross street. Transit buses may stop at designated stops for passengers.

Sharrow (shared roadway symbol): Indicates where cyclists should generally position themselves while sharing the roadway with other vehicles.

Shared pathway: Indicates an off-street pathway shared by pedestrians and cyclists. Cyclists must yield to pedestrians.

Bicycle with arrow: Indicates that the direction of a bicycle route is changing.



Bicycle box: Indicates area where cyclists may position themselves at a red signal, allowing them to turn or go straight in advance of other vehicle traffic when the signal turns green.

Public Transit

SkyTrain

Bicycles are allowed on SkyTrain for no extra charge at all times of operation except in the peak direction (toward downtown in the morning and away from downtown in the afternoon), Monday to Friday from 7-9 am and 4-6 pm.
Only two bicycles per SkyTrain car are allowed. Bicycles are not permitted at any time at Metrotown Station. Bicycles must not be carried on station escalators. Use elevators or stairways to access platforms. Cycling access to SkyTrain is commonly restricted during special events. Contact TransLink for further information.

Bus

All bus routes in Metro Vancouver provide bicycle racks on the front of buses. Bicycles can be loaded onto racks during all hours of bus operation at no additional charge. Only two bicycles can go on each rack at a time. Motor-powered bicycles are not permitted on racks.

For more on bicycles on the transit system:
TransLink at **604.953.3333**
or visit their website:
translink.ca/en/Getting-Around/Cycling.aspx

Bicycle Lockers

Lockers are available for monthly rentals from TransLink at many SkyTrain stations and Park and Rides. For more information: **cmediaoutdoor.com** (see Lock and Ride) or **604.924.1076**
translink.ca/en/Rider-Guide/Bikes-on-Transit/Bike-Lockers.aspx

Rules of the Road

Cyclists have the same rights and responsibilities as drivers per the Motor Vehicle Act and City by-laws.

- Obey all traffic regulations and speed limits.
- Yield to pedestrians and watch for school children crossing the routes.
- Signal before turning.
- Yield to a bus when it is leaving a stop.
- You must use front and rear lights on your bicycle after dark.
- Helmets are required and safety vests or reflective clothing are recommended.
- Do not wear headphones that cover both ears.
- Cycling on sidewalks is permitted in the City expect on the sidewalks along 6th St from 10th Ave to Front St, along 7th St from 5th Ave to 6th Ave, along 12th St from 10th Ave to 5th Ave, along 20th St from Dublin St to Hamilton St on the west side only, along 6th Ave from 5th St to 8th St, along Belmont St from 6th St to 7th St, along Columbia St from 10th St to Elliott St and along East Columbia St from Brunette Ave to Braid St.

  Details can be found in the City's Street and Traffic Bylaw
  www.newwestcity.ca/database/files/library/7664Street_Traffic.pdf

On the road

Passing: Passing on the left is best. Ride no closer than one metre from parked cars.

Lane position: If a lane is narrow or has no shoulder, ride near the middle of the lane for improved visibility and safety.

left or right stop

Turning: Always shoulder check when making a turn. Use a hand signal to indicate your turn direction.

Always shoulder check before changing lanes or position on the road.

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Route Descriptions



Protected Bike Lane or Off-Street Bike Route:
Paved or unpaved pathway physically separated from vehicular traffic, shared with cyclists, pedestrians and other recreational users.



On-Street Bike Lane or Shoulder:
Paved and marked portion of the street for the exclusive use of cyclists.



On-Street Shared with Signs and Markings:
Signed and marked street, shared with vehicular traffic.



Major Street:
Generally a street with high traffic volumes.



Neighbourhood Street:
Generally a local street with low traffic volumes.

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