

Introducing
Oregon's New Law
for People on Bicycles



What's New

Under Oregon's new Stop as Yield law, a person riding a bicycle is allowed to slow to a safe speed, check for cross traffic and proceed without stopping at stop signs and flashing red lights (ORS 811.265).

This helps riders stay upright and in motion at intersections. Unlike driving, people riding bicycles must use their muscle power to get started again, which can be difficult after a complete stop. With the new law, they can now maintain some momentum, keep their balance, and carefully move through intersections more efficiently.

It also helps improve the efficiency of traffic flow for everyone.



What Hasn't Changed

Riders are still required to come to a stop and remain stopped at a steady red light. Failure to do so can result in a \$65-250 ticket – or much worse.



Common Sense Rules

We all need to look out for each other. Because people on bicycles are naturally more vulnerable than motorists, it's up to all of us to pay extra attention at intersections.

When riding, we must...

- **Slow to a safe speed** for conditions, allowing time to stop if needed.
- **Yield the right of way** to traffic approaching or already within the intersection.
- **Follow the directions** of any road work flaggers and/or law enforcement officers.
- **Yield to pedestrians** crossing the road.
- **Do what we can to stay visible and predictable!**



While driving, we must...

- **Always watch for bicyclists**, especially at intersections.
- **Yield the right of way** to riders before turning.
- **Allow plenty of space** while passing riders.
- **Avoid distractions** and other impairments when behind the wheel.



However we roll, let's all look out for each other – it's how Oregonians stand out!



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