

MAP DATA FROM CITY OF HOUSTON BIKEWAYS, H-GAC, AND GOOGLE

- Dedicated On-Street - HC
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- U College / University
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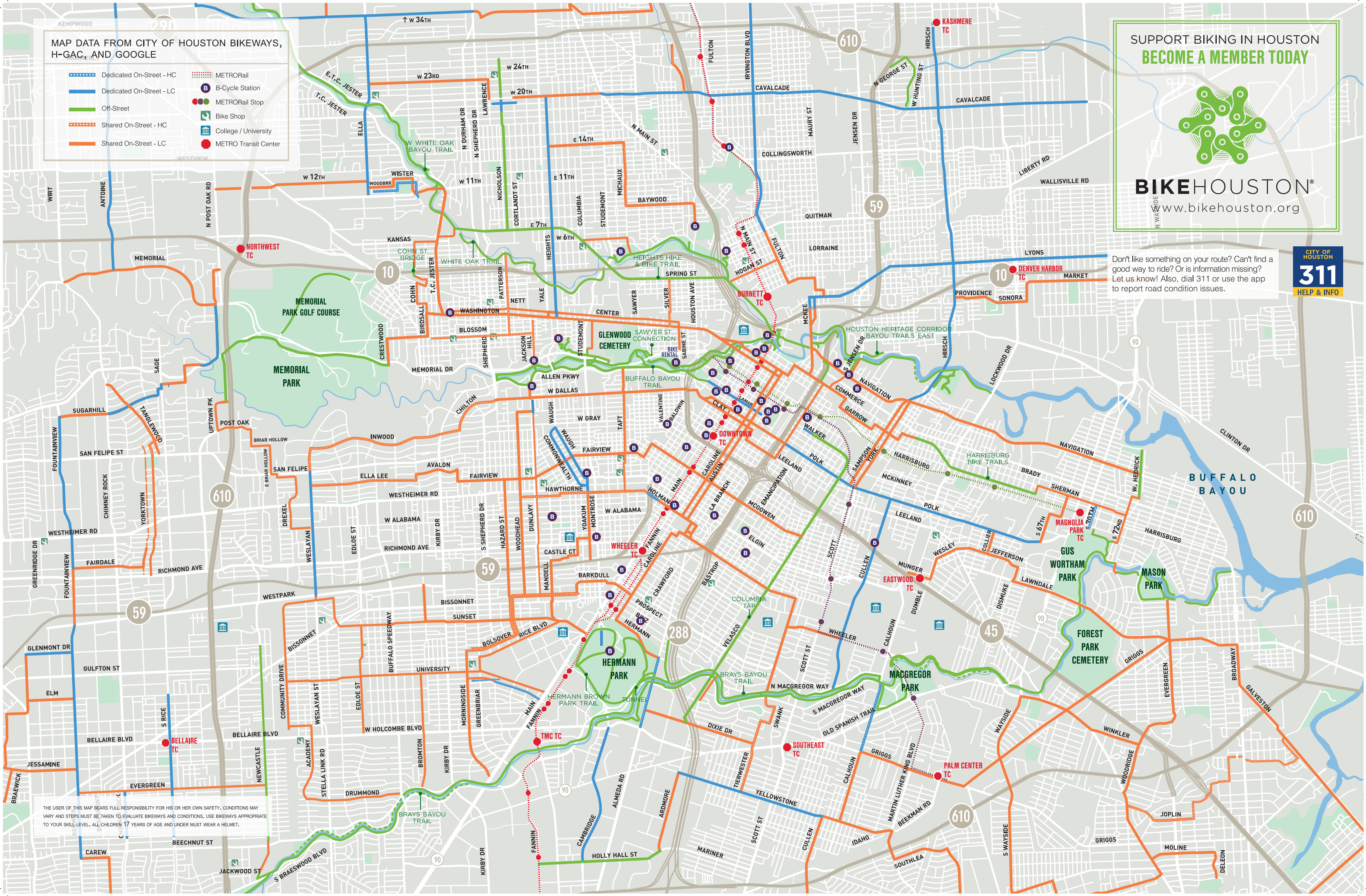


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Don't like something on your route? Can't find a good way to ride? Or is information missing? Let us know! Also, dial 311 or use the app to report road condition issues.

CITY OF HOUSTON
311
 HELP & INFO

THE USER OF THIS MAP BEARS FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR HIS OR HER OWN SAFETY. CONDITIONS MAY VARY AND STEPS MUST BE TAKEN TO EVALUATE BIKEWAYS AND CONDITIONS. USE BIKEWAYS APPROPRIATE TO YOUR SKILL LEVEL. ALL CHILDREN 17 YEARS OF AGE AND UNDER MUST WEAR A HELMET.



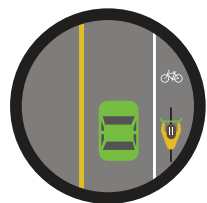
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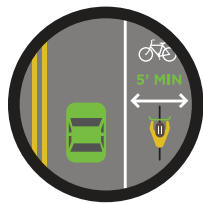
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LOW COMFORT



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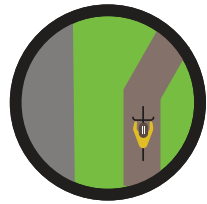
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OFF-STREET
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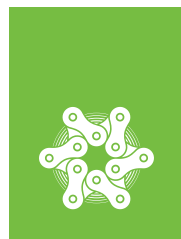


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BIKEHOUSTON MAP



A Guide For Safe & Fun Cycling In Houston

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Add your voice to our push for more safe places to ride your bike.

Our goal is to make Houston a Gold Level Bicycle Friendly City

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TRAFFIC LAWS

- Ride as far to the right as practicable, in the same direction as other traffic. "Practicable" does not mean "possible." Stay out of the gutter and leave yourself enough room to avoid hazards, including parked cars with open doors.
- A cyclist may ride in the middle of a lane (take the lane) that is less than 14 feet wide or is too narrow to safely share with a motor vehicle. Cyclists may ride two abreast when taking a lane on a multi-lane roadway. Persons riding two abreast may not impede the normal and reasonable flow of traffic on the roadway.
- A cyclist should ride in the proper lane to make a turn or otherwise negotiate an intersection. That is usually the rightmost lane that goes to your destination.
- A cyclist may ride to the left side on a one-way roadway.
- A cyclist must stop and yield at stop signs and traffic lights just as motor vehicles do.
- A cyclist must have and use a white light on the front of the bike and a red reflector or red light on the back when riding in the dark.
- If only one brake is working, it should be on the back wheel to avoid pitching the rider over the handlebars.
- Vehicles, including bicycles, are prohibited from racing on public roads. There are specific allowances for sanctioned bike races that are approved by local law enforcement.
- Always carry Texas I.D. or driver license when operating a bicycle on public roads.
- Use hand and arm signals.

Houston Traffic Code Section 45-032
No person shall ride a bicycle upon a sidewalk in the City of Houston within a business district or where prohibited by a sign. A business district is defined as "the territory contiguous to and including a roadway when, within 600 feet along such roadway, there are buildings in use for business or industrial purpose which occupy 300 feet collectively on both sides of the roadway."

(2) While trailing, a separation between a motor vehicle and a vulnerable road user that, when all road, traffic and weather conditions are considered, provides the motorist sufficient space and time to avoid a collision with a vulnerable road user.

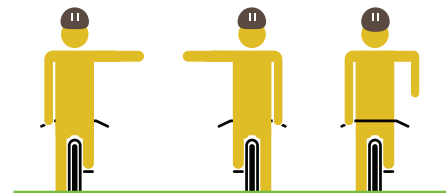
(1) While passing, a separation between a motor vehicle and a vulnerable road user that, when all road, traffic and weather conditions are considered, provides the motorist sufficient space and time to avoid a collision with a vulnerable road user but, in any event, not less than 3 feet if the operator's vehicle is a passenger car or light truck and not less than 6 feet if the operator's vehicle is a truck (other than a light truck) or a commercial vehicle as defined by Texas Transportation Code Section 522.003; or

This ordinance dictates safe passing. Safe passing distance means: (Vulnerable users - include bicyclists, pedestrians, and more)

CHAPTER 45 - TRAFFIC, ART. XII - SEC. 45-44. VULNERABLE ROAD USERS.

RIDING TIPS & SAFETY

Hand Signals:



RIGHT

LEFT

SLOWING
DOWN

Follow the Law: You have the same rights and duties as a driver. Always ride in the same direction as traffic, in the rightmost lane if safe to do so. Stop at red lights and make sure to look both directions before crossing intersections.

Be Predictable: Make your intentions clear to everyone on the road. Ride in a straight line, signal and check behind you well before changing your lane position. Scan ahead to anticipate hazards on the road.

Be Visible: Use bright white lights on the front of your bicycle and bright red lights on the back along with your reflectors. Bright, reflective clothing is recommended in low light conditions, but also during the day.

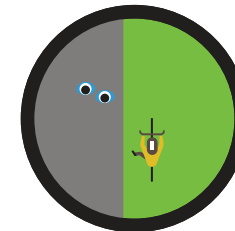
Plan Ahead: Check your bike to make sure your tires are properly inflated, your brakes working properly, chain runs smoothly and check your lights. Plan your route ahead of time and avoid busy or fast streets. Ride outside the door zone and anticipate driver's next move.

Riding on the Trails

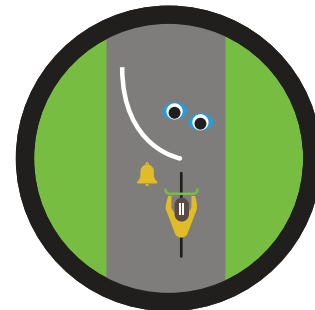
Multi-use trails have become more popular, and understanding courtesy whether bicycling, walking or jogging is key to enjoying them. Here are some tips on how you can make your trail ride or commute more enjoyable.



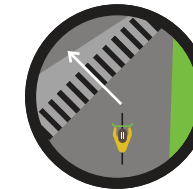
BE COURTEOUS TO
ALL TRAIL USERS



WHEN STOPPING OR RESTING,
PLEASE PULL OFF THE TRAIL



SLOW DOWN AND BE
PREPARED TO STOP WHEN
THERE ARE OTHERS -
ANNOUNCE "PASSING ON
LEFT" OR USE A BELL. KEEP
RIGHT, PASS LEFT



CROSS TRACKS
AT 90 DEGREES



EARBUDS SHOULD NOT
BE WORN WHILE CYCLING



STAY
AWARE



USE ONLINE TOOLS
FOR ROUTE PLANNING



HELMET SHOULD
FIT SNUGGLY



EXTEND YOUR ROUTE
WITH THE BUS SYSTEM



Bikes on Public Transit: Use METRO Bus or METRO Rail to help with your commute or with long distance trips. METRO buses are equipped with bike racks on the front bumper with enough room for two bikes. METRO Rail has designated bike areas on the train. There is no additional cost for this convenience. Bikes can go on METRO Bus and METRO Rail anytime.

Bicycle Safety Around METRO

When riding your bicycle near the rail line, it is important to remember that METRO Rail trains travel along the street and are very quiet. Stay alert and always follow these safety tips:

- Never stop on the tracks.
- Cross the tracks only at designated crossings and only when it is safe to do so.
- Look both ways before crossing the tracks. Trains travel in both directions.
- Avoid the bus operator's blind spots. The safest place to be around buses is in front of them – maintain visibility at all times.
- Listen for train whistles, bells and horns.
- Never ride or walk your bicycle around crossing gate arms.
- Never race a train or try to beat the train to a crossing.

