Bicycles and Pedestrians on ISU Campus

“The Passing Zone”

Traveling Safely Across Campus

Indiana State University Police
There has been an increase in cyclists and pedestrians on campus as student enrollment continues to grow at ISU.

For many students, the bicycle represents more than just a quick way to get around campus. It is an inexpensive, environmentally safe form of transportation.

Bicycling to and from class can help keep students in good physical shape.

Many students find that cycling is convenient and saves time.
University officials announced the largest enrollment in 42 years for the fall 2014 semester. Enrollment of 13,183 students is an increase of 5.9 percent.

- As student numbers rise at Indiana State, concerns over pedestrian and bicycle safety increases as well.
- Calls from concerned pedestrians about reckless cyclists on campus have increased.
- Actions of recklessness have resulted in pedestrians and cyclists colliding causing minor injuries to all involved.
Yield to Pedestrians

Cyclists, you are in *THEIR* space!

Sidewalks are made for **PEDESTRIANS**

Always yield to pedestrians when you are in their space.

Dismount if pedestrian traffic is high, and WALK.
1. Bicycles cannot travel more than 8 – 10 MPH on campus sidewalks

2. Bicycles **MUST** yield to pedestrians
Cyclists - Remove Your iPod Ear Buds When Riding

KEEP YOUR EARS CLEAR!

Remove your iPod ear buds and maintain visual contact with vehicle and pedestrian traffic around you. Your safety can be significantly impaired if you inhibit any one of your senses while you are riding.

Bicyclists put themselves in danger by limiting their senses, by cycling while wearing headphones or chatting on a cell phone. Seem harmless to you? Well, consider what those cyclists are missing out on, and you’ll get the message. Keep Your Ears Clear!
Pedestrians ...Do not use your cell phone or text while you are walking. Being inattentive can prove to be very hazardous.

Be aware of your surroundings and the cyclists riding on the sidewalks.
Obey traffic signs and cross at properly marked crosswalks. That is what drivers expect you to do, and that is where you may be more visible to them.

Drivers may be distracted.

STOP! Look both ways before crossing the street. It could be a matter of life or death!
Cyclists Have An Airbag

...IT’S CALLED THE PAVEMENT!

Ride Smart
Wear A Helmet
Take Alternate Routes rather than congested pedestrian sidewalks

Riding bicycles on the sidewalk is normally not a safe place to be for cyclists or pedestrians.

Weaving in and out of pedestrians will cause accidents.
What is Important to Remember When Cycling on Campus

Always report accidents by *dialing 911*.

1. Take alternative routes to class instead of riding on congested sidewalks.
2. When you must use congested sidewalks, *ride slow or walk your bike*.
3. Bicycles cannot travel more than 8-10 miles per hour on campus sidewalks.
4. Be courteous to pedestrians.
5. Always let pedestrians know when you are passing on their left or right.
6. Never ride too close to pedestrians.
7. Never ride with ear buds or headphones on.

**ALWAYS WEAR A HELMET!**
Cyclists MUST obey all traffic laws.
In the State of Indiana **YOU** ARE A VEHICLE

- **Indiana IC CODE**: IC 9-21-11-2 Roadways; rights and duties
  Sec. 2. A person riding a bicycle upon a roadway has all the rights and duties under this article that are applicable to a person who drives a vehicle

- Bicycle riders attempting to follow pedestrian laws cause many accidents. Almost all bicycle fatalities are caused by bicycle riders expecting drivers to treat them as pedestrians.

- Once a cyclist has entered the roadway they are considered a VEHICLE.
Obey All Traffic Laws

- The only way to avoid the danger is to obey all of the traffic laws.
- The law requires bicycles to **STOP** and **STAY** at red traffic lights and **STOP** signs.
- **IT IS AGAINST THE LAW TO RIDE THE WRONG WAY IN TRAFFIC LANES OR ON ONE-WAY STREETS**
Avoiding Danger on the Street
Indiana Traffic IC Codes

IC 9-21-11-7
Packages, bundles, or other articles preventing proper use of handlebars
  Sec. 7. A person who rides a bicycle may not carry a package, a bundle, or an article that prevents the person from keeping both hands upon the handlebars. As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.9.

IC 9-21-11-8
Bell or other audible signaling devices; sirens; whistles
  Sec. 8. A person may not ride a bicycle unless the bicycle is equipped with a bell or other device capable of giving a signal audible for a distance of at least one hundred (100) feet.
Avoiding Danger on the Street
Indiana Traffic IC Codes

IC 9-21-11-9
Lamps and reflectors
Sec. 9. A bicycle operated on a highway from one-half (1/2) hour after sunset until one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise must be equipped with the following:
   (1) A lamp on the front exhibiting a white light visible from a distance of at least five hundred (500) feet to the front.
   (2) A lamp on the rear exhibiting a red light visible from a distance of five hundred (500) feet to the rear or a red reflector visible from a distance of five hundred (500) feet to the rear.
IC 9-21-11-10
Brakes
   Sec. 10. A bicycle must be equipped with a brake that will enable the person who operates the bicycle to make the braked wheels skid on dry, level, clean pavement.  

IC 9-21-11-11
Highways; regulations and requirements
   Sec. 11. A person who operates a bicycle upon a highway shall observe the regulations and requirements of this article.  
Avoiding Danger on the Street

Indiana Traffic IC Codes

IC 9-21-11-4
Number of passengers
   Sec. 4. A bicycle may not be used to carry more persons at one (1) time than the number for which the bicycle is designed and equipped.

IC 9-21-11-14
Violations; Class C infraction
   Sec. 14. A person who violates this chapter commits a Class C infraction.
   (In Indiana an infraction is a minor offense such as a traffic violation. The penalties are a fine of up to $500.00 and court costs).
(D) If the operator of a motorcycle, motorized bicycle, motor scooter, or bicycle approaches an intersection that is controlled by a traffic control signal, the operator may proceed through the intersection on a steady red signal only if the operator:

(i) comes to a complete stop at the intersection for at least one hundred twenty (120) seconds; and

(ii) exercises due caution as provided by law, otherwise treats the traffic signal as a stop sign, and determines that it is safe to proceed.
BE SMART
REGISTER YOUR BICYCLE WITH THE UNIVERSITY POLICE
210 North 6th Street
In the Past Two Years There Have Been 79 Bicycles REPORTED Stolen From the ISU Campus
And Over 200 Bicycles Found with NO OWNERS. Most are not registered.

It is required that you register your bicycle with ISU Police

- Bicycle registration is for student, staff and faculty who ride on the Indiana State University campus.
- Registration aids in recovering a bicycle that has been stolen.
- The average cost of each bike stolen on this campus is $450.00, with some costing as much as $1,200.00
Bicycles on campus can only be placed in designated locations. Racks have been installed across the campus, and the University will distribute additional units as they become available. Please be considerate when you take your bike to class or work.
How To Protect Your Bike

What to Do
1. Register your bike with ISU Police
2. ALWAYS lock your bike
3. Use “U” or “O” Lock, never a cable lock
4. Identify/mark your bike
5. Engrave, tape or paint your name or some other identifying mark on the bike
6. Take a picture of the bike
7. Register your key numbers
8. Write down key numbers and lock combinations
9. Keep your original receipt of purchase
10. Record your model/serial numbers
What **Not** To Do

1. Lock your bike to a small tree or object
2. Lock your bicycle to itself or someone else’s bicycle
3. Lock your bike in the same place each time
4. Never lock your bike
5. Never check on your bike to assure it is still there and nothing removed from it.
A Cross-State Greenway Spanning over 150 miles, 30 Communities and Years of Hoosier History

For bicyclists, runners or walkers - take advantage of the Heritage Trail that begins on the Campus of Indiana State University outlined in blue.

The trail travels east past Rose Hulman campus to Twigg Park.