Rules of the Road

- Expect the unexpected.
- Know what your bike can do and cannot do.
- Inspect your bike. Don't let a breakdown spoil your day.
- Drive on the right with the flow of traffic. Never go against traffic.
- Pedal in single file. It's the best way to go.
- Don't weave in and out of traffic or between parked cars.
- Always ride in a straight line.
- Stop and look in all directions before entering a street from driveways, a curb or another street.
- Maintain control of your bike when travelling downhill. Take it easy.
- Pull completely off the road when you stop to rest or talk.

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1. Wear a helmet with a hard shell.

2. Ride a proper size bike. It should have a bell or horn, reflectors and a headlight for night riding.

3. Obey all signs and signals. If you can’t read, don’t ride on public roads.

4. Don’t carry passengers on your bike.
5 Drive with the traffic and in single file.

6 Signal other roadway users.

7 Be bright at night. Wear bright clothes and make sure you have lights and reflectors on your bike.

8 Watch out for storm drains.
9 Watch out for wet pavement, wet leaves and loose gravel.

10 Watch out for cars leaving driveways.

11 Watch out for dogs and other animals.

12 Watch out for parked cars opening their doors.