## Two-Stage Left Turn Bicycle Box

A bicycle box offers a safer and more comfortable space for bicyclists of all skill levels. It is a space on the roadway for bicyclists to make a left turn in two stages. It has a turn arrow and a bicycle stencil inside a green and white painted box.





#### How it works

- 1 Bicyclists no longer use the left turn lane to complete a left turn.
- As a bicyclist approaches the intersection, wait for a green light before riding through the intersection and into the bicycle box.
- 3 Turn your bike to face the direction you want to go and wait for the next green light.
- When the light turns green, look in all directions before riding forward to complete the turn.
- Vehicles are not allowed to make a right turn on a red light when bicyclists are in the bicycle box.



## What is a Class III/IIIB Bikeway?

Class III bikeways are bike routes where bicyclists share the lane with motor vehicles. There is no separation for the bicyclists from vehicle traffic, and bicyclists may even use the full lane.

Class IIIB bikeways (Bicycle Boulevards) are similar to Class III routes but they are typically along local streets where traffic calming features (speed humps, bike sharrow markings, and edge lines) are present.

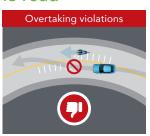


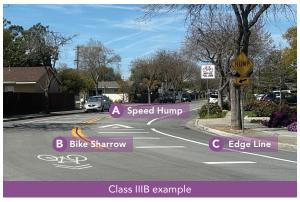


Look for these road signs.

#### How to share the road











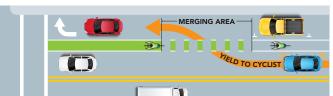


#### **SOLID DOUBLE YELLOW LINE**

Do not cross the solid double yellow line when going around slower vehicles or bicycles.

Keep a safe distance from cyclists.

(California Vehicle Code § 21460)



#### **DASHED GREEN BIKE LANE**

The dashed green lanes are areas where cars and bikes are intended to cross paths.

Cyclists have the right of way and may go straight with caution.

Motorists are expected to yield right of way to cyclists in these areas.

(California Vehicle Code § 21760)

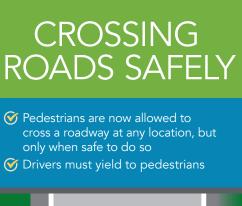


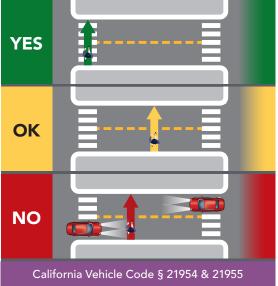






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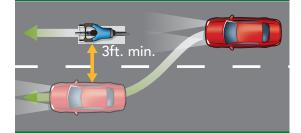
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## 3-FOOT SAFETY DISTANCE



- **S** Bicyclists may use full lane
- Orivers must slow down and wait to pass only when safe to do so

#### When Another Lane is Available



- Orivers must pass a bicyclist by making a lane change when another lane is available
- Orivers must stay at least 3 feet away from any bicyclist

California Vehicle Code § 21760

## Walk or Bike Instead of Driving

- **Market** Improve your health
- Help the environment
- **Solution** Reduce traffic congestion
- Have fun while traveling



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## YIELD TO PEDESTRIANS AND USE YOUR SIGNAL

- Ensure safety of all road users
- Use your signal for turning and changing lanes\*

#### **FOR DRIVERS**



Watch for pedestrians. Stop outside of crosswalks.

#### **FOR DRIVERS**







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**ORIGHT TURN** 

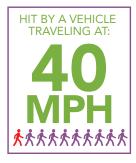
STOP/SLOW

#### **FOR BICYCLISTS**



# Speeding is Dangerous

The risk of injury and death increases as speed increases.



Only 1 out of 10 pedestrians survives

Source: http://www.bikeleague.org/sites/default/files/speed.jpg

#### Be Alert, Stay Safe

**DRIVERS** — Slow down and watch for pedestrians and bicyclists, especially when turning.

**PEDESTRIANS** and **BICYCLISTS** — Use body and bike lights and wear bright and reflective clothing.



# Driving Safely with Bicyclists



WRONG



Improper turns are a frequent cause of bicyclist injuries.

CORRECT



Drivers shall merge into the bicycle lane to turn right, while keeping 3 feet of distance from any bicycle. Vehicles can enter the bicycle lane up to 200 feet in advance of the intersection to turn right.



Bicyclists can pass on left as drivers merge into the bicycle lane.

#### 2. KEEP A SAFE DISTANCE



Bicyclists may use full lane where no bicycle lanes or shoulders exist. Stay 3 feet away from any bicycle.

#### 3. LOOK BEFORE OPENING THE DOOR



Watch for bicyclists and don't underestimate their speed.

For information about the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission, search "BPAC" at Sunnyvale.ca.gov



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## Enjoy Sunnyvale with a Walk or Ride

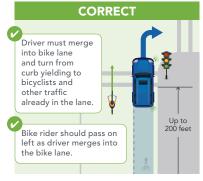


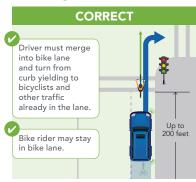


## Avoid turning right into a bicyclist



\*California Vehicle Code (CVC) 21209, 21717, 21208, 21760, & 22100







### Top Factors Leading to Serious Injury Collisions in Sunnyvale\*

- Unsafe Speed
- 2. Right-of-way Violations
- 3. Driving Under the Influence

### **Safety Tips**



Slow down for pedestrians and bicyclists.



Be alert when crossing.

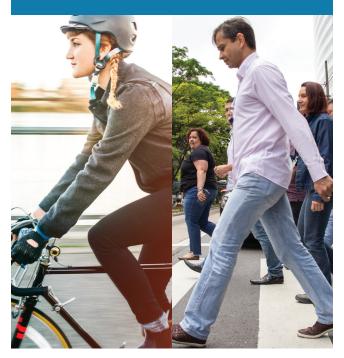


Do not drive under the influence of drugs or alcohol.



Do not text while driving.

Come to a Sunnyvale BPAC\*
Meeting and discuss potential
improvements, traffic safety
and future projects.



#### \*Sunnyvale Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BPAC) Meetings

When: 3rd Thursday each month

**Time:** 6:30 p.m.

Location: Council Chambers at City Hall

To contact the Sunnyvale BPAC email **bpac@sunnyvale.ca.gov** 





But the average time your eyes are off the road while texting is **5 seconds**.

Don't text while driving.

DISTRACTED DRIVING KILLS



Sunnyvale Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Commission meetings are open to the public and held on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the West Conference Room at Sunnyvale City Hall.

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or visit the Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Commission website at *BPAC.inSunnyvale.com*.

