

## E f f i c i e n t

### Bike Parking

In response to the ever-growing number of cyclists and to promote cycling as a healthy, environmentally sustainable form of transportation, the cities of Iowa City and Coralville and the University of Iowa install bike racks at public destinations. Each bike rack is steel with a protective coating and fits 4-12 bikes. These bike racks do more than just provide parking—they send a message that the cities and University encourage cycling.

In addition, the following covered bike racks and bike lockers allow you to park your bike out of the rain and snow.

### Covered Bike Parking

- Old Capitol Mall Parking Ramp (Clinton Street entrance)
- Iowa City Public Library (north of entrance on Linn Street)
- U of I Hospital Parking Ramp 2 (east and southwest entrances) and Ramp 4 (north entrance)
- Iowa Memorial Union Parking Ramp (level 4-Cleary Walkway entrance)
- Eckstein Medical Research Bld. (south side)
- Medical Research Center (north entrance)
- Nursing Building (south entrance)

### Bike Lockers

Court Street Multimodal Transportation Parking Ramp (Court Street and S. Dubuque). Contact the Iowa City Parking Department for rates and availability at 356-5094.

*Don't forget to bring a lock.  
And remember...bike parking is free!*

## C o n v e n i e n t

### Safety tips for bicyclists

1. **Always ride with traffic and follow the rules of the road.** Ride with the flow of traffic, not against it. You are much more predictable and visible to motorists, especially at intersections and driveways. Ride in a straight line, not in and out of cars, and use hand signals when turning and stopping. Obey traffic signs, signals, and lane markings and yield to traffic when appropriate, including pedestrians.
2. **Don't ride on narrow sidewalks.** Although you might think it's a safer option, motorists are simply not looking for bicyclists on the sidewalk, especially those riding against traffic. So at every driveway and intersection, you are at much greater risk of being hit by a motorist than if you were riding on the road with traffic. Pedestrians will thank you for riding on the road, as well.
3. **Ride on the trail, paved shoulder, or bike lane.** Follow the rules of the road and watch out for your fellow travelers. Ride to the right, signal your turns, obey traffic signs and signals.
4. **Be predictable and visible.** Try not to be hesitant or do things that motorists and other travelers may not be expecting. Make sure everyone can see you and knows where you are and where you are going. If riding in the dark, use headlights, taillights and reflectors, and wear reflective materials and brightly colored clothing. Do not wear headphones or talk on a cell phone while bicycling.
5. **Watch for debris on the road or trail that might make you fall or swerve.** Rocks, trash, storm grates, wet leaves, potholes, gravel, railroad tracks, and even wet pavement markings can all send you flying. Also watch for parked cars, doors opening, and cars pulling in and out of driveways.
6. **Watch for turning traffic.** Perhaps rather surprisingly, the crash data tells us that getting hit from behind is extremely unlikely. Most car/bike collisions happen at intersections and driveways when motorists or bicyclists are turning. So, at every intersection and driveway, keep a careful eye out for turning vehicles.

*Adapted from the [www.bicyclinginfo.org](http://www.bicyclinginfo.org)*

## Bicycle Commuter Guide



Iowa City &  
Coralville, Iowa



Bike Locker at Court Street  
Multimodal Transportation Center

# Locations of Bicycle Commuter Facilities



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