BICYCLE FACILITIES

All streets can be used by bicyclists. Bicyclists must be aware of the character of traffic and roadway on each street and evaluate the degree of risk they are willing to accept in sharing the roadway with other traffic. The most suitable streets have wide outside lanes, low traffic speed, low traffic volume, few high-volume cross streets and driveways, and no obstacles in the path of the bicycle such as storm water grates and uneven pavement. Nearly all local residential streets are suitable for bicycling.

Bike Lanes
Approximately 4 miles of street have lanes designated for bicyclists.

Bike Routes
Streets that the City Traffic Engineer has deemed suitable for bicyclists and that provide access to major destinations and continuity to travel across several neighborhoods have been designated as bike routes. Approximately 57 miles of streets are designated and signed as bike routes.

Bicycle Paths
Bicycle paths are provided on the MSU campus.

Shared Roadways
Streets that have high speeds and/or traffic volumes and are suitable for experienced bicyclists are signed with SHARE THE ROAD signs.

Multipurpose Paths
Off-Street paths for joint use of such non-motorized travel modes as bicycling, roller-Blading, running, and walking are maintained by the Springfield/Greene County Parks Department. Signs indicate where multipurpose paths intersect with the street system.

RULES OF THE ROAD

1. The rights and duties of people operating bicycles on a roadway are the same as the rights and duties of the driver of any vehicle on the roadway.

2. Any person operating a bicycle shall obey the instructions of official traffic control signs, signals, and markings controlling vehicles on the roadway.

3. A bicycle is to be used to carry only the number of people for which the bicycle is equipped with seats.

4. Bicycles must be operated near the right-hand side of the roadway no more than two abreast.

5. The operator of a bicycle entering a roadway from an alley, driveway, or building shall yield to all pedestrians within the roadway, including the sidewalk, and to all vehicles within the roadway.

6. No person shall drive a bicycle on a sidewalk within a business district. Whenever a person is driving a bicycle on a sidewalk, such person shall yield right of way to any pedestrian and shall give an audible signal (such as stating “on your left”) before overtaking and passing a pedestrian.

7. Each bicycle operated during darkness must be equipped with a light and reflectors.

BICYCLE SAFETY ON STREETS

Springfield Bicycle Route Map

for more info
City of Springfield, MO
Department of Public Works
Traffic Engineering Division
(417) 864-1980
http://traffic.springfieldmogov.org/bike

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BIKE ROUTES IN SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI

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Bike routes in Springfield, Missouri

Additional information:
Springfield Public Works Department
Traffic Engineering Division
840 N. Boonville Ave
Springfield, MO 65801-8368
(417) 864-1980
http://traffic.springfieldmogov.org/bike

Ozark Greenways, Inc.
PO Box 50733
Springfield, MO 65805
(417) 864-2014
http://www.ozarkgreenways.org

Springbike Bicycle Club
PO Box 9823
Springfield, MO 65801
http://www.springbike.org

League of American Bicyclists
1612 K Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20006-2082
(202) 822-1333
http://www.bikeleague.org

Missouri Department of Transportation
http://www.modot.org/othertransportation/bike_ped/Bikepedintro.htm

Springfield Police Department
321 E. Chestnut Expressway
Springfield, MO 65802-3899
(417) 864-1810
http://www.springfieldmogov.org/spd

In case of an emergency, dial: 911

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