

Practical Matters: On Cycle track

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There are over 200 kilometres of cycle tracks in Hong Kong. Most of them are located in the New Territories.

For the safety of road users, the cycle tracks are designed with consideration to alignment, curvature, gradient, width, and visibility. They are also equipped with sufficient lighting, traffic signs, road markings, items like plastic bollards and pedestrian crossings.

Bridges and subways with cycle paths are also built in some road sections to separate cyclists from traffic.

If there is a cycle track next to the road, you must always ride on it.

Do not stay on the cycle track when you need to stop and do not gather on the track.

Check if there are any pedestrians and try to have eye contact with them when you reach a pedestrian crossing. You should also be aware that someone may suddenly walk onto the track.

Beware of oncoming traffic and maintain a safe distance from the cyclist ahead.

Slow down while going downhill so you can control the speed.

Do not ride too fast while going downhill or you will easily lose control.

Don't forget to allow extra room for braking.

Avoid suddenly stopping at a downhill section to answer the phone, for example. The cyclists behind you may not be able to brake in time.

There can be other items like plastic bollards or obstacles such as works sites on the cycle track. Slow down when passing them and be prepared to stop.

It is always safe to observe traffic signs and road markings while cycling.

For more information about riding on cycle tracks, please visit the Transport Department

Cycling Information Centre website: www.td.gov.hk/mini_site/cic