

# Bicycle Safety

AAA wants you to travel with more peace of mind. Before you take to the road, read our useful tips.

## Share the Road

### *Motorists*

- > Bicyclists have the same rights and responsibilities as motorists, including the right to ride in the traffic lane.
- > Stay alert—avoid all distractions while driving.
- > Yield to bicyclists when turning. In bad weather, give bicyclists extra passing room, just as you would other motorists.
- > Make a visual check for bicyclists by checking mirrors and blind spots before entering or leaving a lane of traffic.
- > Slow down and give at least 3 feet of clearance when passing. Reduce your speed when passing bicyclists, especially when the road is narrow.
- > NEVER honk your horn at a bicyclist—it could cause them to swerve into traffic or off the roadway and crash.
- > Always check for bicyclists before opening your car door.
- > Children on bicycles are often unpredictable—expect the unexpected.

