

## **BUSTINS BICYCLE SAFETY – Please post in your cottage**

These rules were generated by a concerned group of bicycle riders, their parents and grandparents, walkers, and truck drivers and are endorsed by the Board of Overseers. Excessive bicycle speed combined with reduced visibility at corners and curves poses serious safety risks when bikes share the road with walkers and vehicles. There have been some serious near-misses.

### Parents

1. Parents are responsible for the safe bicycle operation by their children.
2. Please discuss these rules with your children, along with your consequences for breaking them.
3. Children who habitually do not follow the safety rules can expect a visit from our island police officer.
4. Consider equipping your child's bike with a bell and a tall bike safety flag, especially for smaller children.

### Bicycle riders

1. Ride at a safe speed at all times.
2. Slow down and watch for walkers and trucks at corners and curves in the road. If you can't see the truck and walkers coming, they can't see you coming.
2. Let walkers know, with either a bell or a shout, when they are being approached from behind. ("passing on your left")
3. Bikes must be walked down the hill to the Post Office.
4. When meeting a truck, move to the side of the road and allow the truck to pass.
5. Do not ride your bike in these areas:
  - Paths
  - Community House and Post Office porches
  - Public float, ramp, and runway
  - Steamer Dock
  - Golf Course greens
6. Do not leave your bike in the road.



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