Did You Know?

- About 800 people are killed each year bicycling.
- More than *half a million* people visit emergency rooms with bicycling-related injuries.
- The majority of bicyclists killed are not wearing a helmet.
- Bicycle helmets can reduce your risk of brain injury by 88%.
- Riding at night is more than seven times riskier than riding during the day.
- Bicyclists should always follow the law in terms of traffic lights and stop signs.

NEVER HESITATE TO CONTACT UAB POLICE

UAB Police Dispatch (205) 934-4434
UAB Crime Prevention (205) 934-2409
Campus Escort Service (205) 934-8772

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BICYCLES ON CAMPUS
**Rules of the Road**
Did you know that in the State of Alabama, bicycles are considered vehicles? As a result, cyclists are bound to many of the same laws as drivers. It is important to follow the rules of the road when riding your bicycle; it can save your life.

- Wear a bicycle helmet at all times.
- Ride with traffic, to the side of the road. Obey all road signs.
- Alabama Statute requires all cyclists riding between sunset and sunrise to have a light on the front of their bicycle.
- Use proper reflective gear during evening hours.
- Pay attention to vehicles around you and never assume a motor vehicle driver will yield to you.
- Use proper arm signals when in traffic to alert others.

**Securing Your Bicycle**
To reduce the opportunity of bicycle theft on campus, the majority of stolen bikes either weren’t locked nor had a cable lock. Only lock your bike to bicycle racks. Thieves look for lone bikes and police will impound bikes locked to handicap rails. It is recommended to use a cable lock in addition to a U-lock to secure your wheels and seat. For added security, use a cable lock only as a secondary lock.

**How to secure your bicycle**
When you secure your bicycle to a designated bike rack, be sure to secure the lock around a closed section of the bicycle frame, not a tire, seat, or other removable part. Remember, bicycles must be secured to designated bicycle racks. It is against University policy to secure your bicycle to anything else.

_Bicycle racks are designated for bikes to be placed in rear-wheel-first. Doing such prevents the bicycle from falling over if knocked and positions the bicycles main frame close to the rack, allowing for proper locking._

**Bicycle Registration**
UAB Police Department recommends that you register your bicycle; registration is a low cost service available to the entire University community. If your bicycle is ever lost, stolen or confiscated for non-compliance with any bicycle policy, registration will aid UAB Police in identifying you as the owner and returning your bicycle.

**How to Register**
You can register your bicycle at UAB Parking and Transportation Office located at 608 8th street south. Office hours 7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.