



## Starting June 1, 2015 A Lecture System For Bicyclers who commit any of these 15 types of traffic violations has come into effect



<h3>1 Ignoring Traffic Signals</h3> <p>Article 7</p>	<h3>2 Riding in Prohibited Areas</h3> <p>Article 8-1</p> <p>Riding in prohibited roads or areas (pedestrian zones, etc.) where bicyclers are not allowed to pass through, such as pedestrian roads with road signs</p>	<h3>3 Riding Unsafely on Footpaths / Riding on Undesignated Pedestrian Roads</h3> <p>Article 9</p> <p>Not slowing down or paying attention when bicyclers pass through pedestrian roads where they are allowed to ride</p>
<h3>4 Riding in the Wrong Lane</h3> <p>Article 17-1, 4 or 6</p> <p>Riding on the right side of the street, the right side of the road margins, or on sidewalks where bicycles are not allowed to ride</p>	<h3>5 Obstructing Pedestrians</h3> <p>Article 17-2-2</p> <p>Riding at a speed or in a way that may obstruct the passage of pedestrians inside the road margins where bicyclers are allowed to ride</p>	<h3>6 Crossing through Active Railroad Crossings</h3> <p>Article 33-2</p> <p>Entry into a railroad crossing when the barrier is closing or has closed, or the warning bell is sounding</p>
<h3>7 Ignoring Intersection Safety</h3> <p>Article 36</p> <p>Obstructing cars coming from the left at intersections without traffic lights or cars passing through priority roads</p> <p>An intersection without signals      Priority roads</p>	<h3>8 Obstructing Intersections</h3> <p>Article 37</p> <p>Obstruction of oncoming cars driving straight or turning left by turning right in front of cars at intersections</p>	<h3>9 Riding Unsafely in Roundabouts / Rotaries</h3> <p>Article 37-2</p> <p>Obstructing passing cars in roundabouts or not slowing down when bicyclers enter roundabouts</p>
<h3>10 Not Obeying Stop Signs</h3> <p>Article 43</p>	<h3>11 Not Slowing Down While Using Sidewalks</h3> <p>Article 63-4-2</p> <p>Not riding slowly in the side of the sidewalk closest to the roadway or in bike paths or not coming to a full stop when bicyclers may obstruct pedestrians</p>	<h3>12 Riding a Bike with Poor Brakes</h3> <p>Article 63-9-1</p> <p>Riding a bike without brakes or with brakes that do not work well</p> <p>と、止まらぬ!!!</p>
<h3>13 Riding Under the Influence</h3> <p>Article 65-1</p> <p>'Under the influence' means the state in which you may not be able to drive normally due to the influence of alcohol.</p>	<h3>14 Not Riding Safely</h3> <p>Article 70</p> <p>Failure to control the handles or brakes, or riding at a speed or in a way that may cause harm to other people</p> <p>※ Causing Accidents while holding an umbrella or using a cellphone may violate this article.</p>	<h3>15 Obstruction of Driving</h3> <p>Article 117-2-1-4, 117-2-2-1-8</p> <p>Any activity that causes a significant traffic hazard or threat of a traffic hazard for the purpose of obstructing the passage of vehicles.</p>

If you repeat any of these 15 types of violations more than twice within three years, you must receive a lecture (3 hours, 6000 yen). A person under 15 years of age is not subject to receiving the lecture but must obey rules and ride safely!!!

#### Five Safety Guidelines for Bicyclers

- 1 As a general rule, ride on the left side of the street, not on the sidewalk. Give pedestrians the right of way.
- 2 Obey traffic lights at intersections. Stop at STOP signs. Look both ways.
- 3 Use a light at night.
- 4 Do not ride while under the influence of alcohol.
- 5 Wear a helmet.

Bicyclers may have to pay large compensations in the event of an accident caused by a bicycle, so bicyclers are strongly recommended to get insurance.