How to register your bicycle, scooter, or skateboard

1. Locate your bike’s serial number.
2. Fill out our online registration by visiting dpswebapp.usc.edu/bikeRegistration/
3. Visit the DPS office to pick up your registration decal.
4. Apply the decal to your bicycle.

Why registration? Registration makes it easy to identify your property if it is recovered by DPS.

Per USC Policy, all faculty, staff and students who ride or park a bike on campus need to register it with DPS. By registering your bicycle, you provide DPS with a means of identifying your bike if it is lost, stolen, recovered or impounded.

There is no cost to register.

How to properly secure scooters on bike racks:
The best locations on your scooter for locking are: 1) around the stem, 2) through the folding mechanism, 3) and through the carrying handle (look out for easily removed screws!).

How to properly secure bikes on bike racks:
Ideally, use two locks to secure both wheels and the frame to the rack. Your rear wheel is typically more valuable, so if you only have one lock, use a U-lock to lock the frame and rear wheel to the rack.

Safety Gear Checklist

Helmet
Lights
Locks

Signalization & Scanning
Signal to let other road users know when you are planning on stopping, turning or changing lanes. Before signaling, scan or look behind you to check for other road users. For turns, try to signal about 100 feet before the turn and signal for 2-3 seconds.

Scan your surroundings such as looking over your shoulder to assess traffic conditions behind you, especially when changing lanes, turning or stopping.
Know the Road

Yield to Traffic
You must yield to traffic before entering the roadway.

Use Hand Signals
Use hand signals to indicate when you are turning, changing lanes, or stopping. Move left or right only when it’s clear to do so.

Follow the Traffic Rules
You should follow all traffic signals and signs just as you would in a car.

Ride with Traffic
You must ride on the right half of the roadway, with the flow of traffic. Exception: you can ride on either the left or right side of one-way streets.

Stay Aware of your Surroundings.
Remember that people on bikes should generally follow the same laws as drivers.

Maintain a Safe Speed
The speed limit for e-scooters/bikes is 15 miles per hour. Going over this speed limit can result in a traffic stop.

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