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Sharing the Road with Cyclists

Over two-thirds of fatal motorcycle and bicycle crashes involve a cyclist and another vehicle. The most common accident involving bicyclists and vehicles are at intersections or when other vehicles **Turn Left** in front of a motorcyclist.

Why Drivers May Not See Cyclists?

- They can share the same direction of the road and when traveling on your right side, perhaps in your blind spot.
- Small and easily hidden by vehicles, including your own.
- May not obey rules of the road or maintain proper lane position.
- Move at a speed where they may suddenly appear, resulting in less time to react.



Collision Prevention Measures for Drivers...

- Watch for cyclists before turning – check your blind spots and rock-n-roll before turning or changing lanes.
- Double-check traffic at intersections before you turn or pull out. Look **left, right, left** every time!
- Cyclists are easily be hidden in traffic. Look for a helmet above, tires below, or a shadow alongside other vehicles you can't see around.
- Be prepared to **STOP** and **YIELD** the right of way.