

PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE SAFETY LAWS

Knowledge Quiz



1. A local authority may pass ordinances in addition to state statutes that address pedestrian and bicyclist safety.
 True False
2. Bicyclists do not have the same rights and responsibilities as a motor vehicle on Texas roadways.
 True False
3. Bicyclists should ride as far to the left-hand side of the street as possible.
 True False
4. A bicyclist is required to use a light when riding at night.
 True False
5. The pedestrian always has the right-of-way.
 True False
6. Motorists must yield right-of-way to pedestrians.
(Check all that apply)
 - When the motorist is emerging from an alley, driveway, or building
 - When a pedestrian is crossing on the highway at a place other than a crosswalk
 - When a pedestrian is crossing on same half of roadway as vehicle
 - When there is a crosswalk with no traffic-control signal
7. Pedestrians are not allowed to: *(Check all that apply)*
 - Leave a sidewalk to cross the road if an approaching vehicle driver cannot yield the right of way in time
 - Walk on a roadway if a sidewalk is provided
 - Cross a street diagonally unless authorized by a sign or signal
 - Proceed across a signalized intersection when the DON'T WALK signal (or hand) is flashing

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Answer Key



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 True False
A bicyclist riding at night is required to use a white light on the front and a red light or reflector in the rear.
5. The pedestrian always has the right-of-way.
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When crossing the road outside of a crosswalk or intersection a pedestrian should yield the right-of-way to vehicles.
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