

WHEEL WORRIES

Safety concerns from both sides of the bike-car relationship

PASSING



As close as practicable: While the Highway Traffic Act does not specify how close cyclists should ride near the right edge of the roadway or the clearance drivers must give a cyclist when travelling alongside or passing them, drivers should pass a cyclist only when it is safe to do so. Bike Winnipeg suggests providing at least one metre of clearance. This may require drivers to change lanes in order to pass safely.

The **NUMBER ONE** concern among motorists and cyclists.

70%

of cyclists polled list 'vehicles passing too close,' as one of their top three concerns when they encounter a vehicle on the road.



46%

of motorists polled list 'safely passing cyclists,' among their top three concerns when they encounter a cyclist on the road.



DISTRACTED DRIVING



Texting for five seconds while driving 90 km/hr means you've driven the length of a football field...BLINDFOLDED!



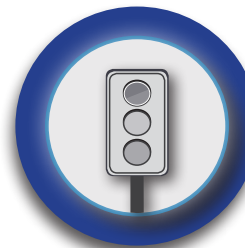
Intersections are high-risk locations for cyclists and motorists. Using hand signals, eye contact, and obeying all traffic laws can help minimize the risk of collision.

NOT STOPPING



56%

of cyclists polled list 'distracted driving,' as one of their top three concerns when they encounter a vehicle on the road.



55%

of motorists polled list 'cyclists who don't stop,' among their top three concerns when they encounter a cyclist on the road.



PREDICTABILITY



Cyclists often ride 1.5 m away from parked cars to avoid being in the 'door zone.' Motorists can practice the 'dutch reach' when opening their doors to ensure approaching cyclists are in sight.



Being visible is about what you wear and how you ride. Whether you're riding at night or during the day, wear bright, reflective clothing and always stay in the motorists' field of vision.

VISIBILITY



33%

of cyclists polled list 'car doors opening unexpectedly,' as one of their top three concerns when they encounter a vehicle on the road.



37%

of motorists polled list 'cyclists who are not visible at night' among their top three concerns when they encounter a cyclist on the road.



*Source: Probe Research surveyed a random representative sample of 600 adults residing in Winnipeg between June 5 and 19, 2018. The survey sample size offers 95 per cent certainty that results are within plus or minus 4.0 percentage points of what they would be if the entire adult population of Winnipeg had been studied.



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