

BIKES AND THE MBTA

Combine the pleasure of riding your bicycle with the convenience of using public transit to get where you need to go year round. The MBTA can help you be on your way to cycling fun and great exercise while helping the environment.

Bring your bike:



On Subways all weekend, weekdays before 7am, 10am-4pm, and after 7pm. Green and Mattapan Trolley Lines do not allow conventional bikes.



On Buses at all times when your bike can fit in the external rack.



On Commuter Rail trains except during weekday peak hours in peak directions.



On Ferry boats at all times.

- Folding bicycles are allowed at all times on all vehicles when folded.
- Please follow MBTA staff instructions at all times.

For more MBTA info:

www.mbtta.com/riding_the_t/bikes
(617) 222-3200

To report a stolen bicycle:

MBTA Transit Police (617) 222-1212

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Restricted Stations:

Bikes are allowed in all stations except the following due to crowding:

- Park Street (Red & Green Lines)
- Downtown Crossing (Red & Orange Lines) except to transfer lines.
- Government Center (Blue & Green Lines)

Holidays & Special Events

Bicycles are not allowed due to crowding:

- New Years Eve, St. Patrick's Day Parade, Boston Marathon (allowed on Commuter Rail), July 4th, before/after Red Sox games, 8:30pm-11pm during TD Garden events.
- Special events at or near individual stations. MBTA staff will notify you of restrictions.



You can bring a folded folding bike on all MBTA vehicles at all times.

BICYCLE RULES

- Enter stations through the wide fare gate.
- No special pass or additional fee required.
- Bicycles are not allowed on escalators.
- Ride to, but not inside stations.
- Stand behind platform edge/yellow line.
- Board and ride at end of a train car, do not bring your bicycle down the aisle.
- Subway cars allow only 2 bicycles per car, one at each end.
- Commuter Rail conductors will tell you where to enter, exit or ride in the train.
- Hold bicycle firmly at all times with kickstand up, do not lean it against other patrons.
- Seniors and persons with disabilities are afforded preference over bicycles.
- Customers with disabilities can bring bikes on MBTA vehicles at all times when used to accommodate the customer's disability.
- If trains are crowded or access is impeded MBTA staff may prohibit bicycles.
- MBTA staff cannot assist with bicycles.
- Cyclists under 16 must be accompanied by a parent/legal guardian and remain together.
- If there is an emergency evacuation of a train, leave your bicycle on the train and do not block aisles or doors.
- Cyclists are legally responsible for any damage to T facilities or equipment and/or for any injury, loss or damage sustained by passengers or T staff that result from a cyclist's negligence. The MBTA is not responsible for loss, theft or damages to any bicycle or equipment in any MBTA bike rack, station or vehicle.
- Cyclists failing to abide by the regulations or direction of T Police or staff are subject to removal from the system.



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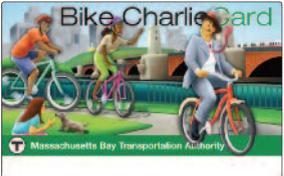
BICYCLE PARKING

Bike racks are located at most T stations and are for temporary storage of bicycles while customers utilize the MBTA system. Please park your bike so other cyclists can share the rack and remember to lock it!

Park your bike at any of the following:

- **Pedal & Park facilities:** Enclosed and equipped with video cameras and controlled door access. Currently at Alewife and Forest Hills stations, with more on the way! Bike CharlieCard is needed for access.
- **Bike Ports:** Covered bike parking that is well located (50 arriving this year).
- **Bike rack:s** Located at 95% of stations.

Bike CharlieCard provides you with Pedal & Park access.



Bike CharlieCards are free of charge and obtainable from station staff where Pedal & Parks are located. It gives you access to Pedal & Parks system wide – just tap the card at the gate.

Starting 12/31/10 all Bike CharlieCards have to be registered online at www.MBTA.com.

Parking Rules

- Bicycles secured to handrails, railings, doors, ramps, stairways, or in a way that impedes access to stations may be removed by the MBTA without notice.
- Bicycles left for over two weeks may be removed by the MBTA without notice.



HOW TO USE THE BUS RACKS

You can ride the bus with your bike if:

- The bus is equipped with an external rack (Check mbta.com for equipped routes).
- And it is not a shuttle bus substituting for Commuter Rail or Subway service.
- Or you have a folded folding bike.

Each rack holds two conventional sized bicycles. Approach the bus from the curb and let the driver know you are about to use the bicycle rack.

To load:

Remove loose items from bike before the bus arrives.

- 1 Pull rack down by squeezing the handle in the center of the rack.
- 2 Place bike, front wheel first, into the rack wheel slot. Use the slot closest to the bus first.
- 3 Pull out support arm and raise it up over the front tire. Check that your bike is secure. Do not lock your bike in the rack.

Let the bus driver know where you'll be unloading. Sit near the front of the bus and watch your bike. Exit through the front door.

To unload:

- Raise the support arm off the tire and move it down and out of the way.
- Lift your bike out of the rack.
- Fold the rack up if it is empty. Let the driver know when you are done.
- Never cross the street in front of the bus. Passing traffic cannot see around the bus.

