# Remember

Give way to pedestrians
Always keep left
Use your bell
Watch your speed
Don't block the path
Control your pet
Respect nature

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#### For more information

#### **Sunshine Coast Council**

www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au travelsmart@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au T 07 5475 7272 F 07 5475 7277 Locked Bag 72 Sunshine Coast Mail Centre Qld 4560

#### Crime and Accidents

Emergency 000 Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000 (Toll Free)

#### Wildlife Rescue

WILVOS Wildlife Volunteers Association 07 5441 6200

#### **Public Transport Services**

Suncoast Cabs 131 008 Translink (Public Transport) 13 12 30

#### **Department of Transport and Main Roads**

www.tmr.qld.gov.au T 13 74 68

share with care

**share** the responsibility

share the fun



# Sharing our paths

The Sunshine Coast Council encourages all forms of active, healthy and environmentally friendly transport across the region. Shared paths are provided for recreational cycling and walking. Queensland Law states that bicycles, skateboards, scooters, roller blades, prams, wheelchairs and mobility scooters can be used on any path unless otherwise signed.

The following rules apply on paths:

People on bikes are required to give way to pedestrians.

Everyone should keep to their left and pass on their right.

Pedestrians must not block the path.

It is vital for the safety and wellbeing of all users that everyone understands that sharing the path and sharing the responsibility will help create a safe and fun environment for everyone.

# Tips for people on bikes

**Give way to pedestrians** at all times. Bikes are bigger and travel at faster speeds than people walking.

**Be considerate** and slow down around tight bends or when the path is busy.

**Look ahead** to make sure the path is clear before overtaking.

Let other users know your movements. Use your voice, bell or horn when passing. The law requires bikes to be fitted with a bell.

**Always look** carefully for vehicles at intersections and driveways. If they don't see you, brake and wait.

Be safe and visible by wearing brightly coloured clothing, an approved helmet and lights and reflectors for night riding.

# Tips for people driving

**Pedestrians have right of way.** Australian Road Rules require all drivers to give way to all pedestrians.

**Take extra care.** Always check for bike riders, pedestrians and people scooting and skating at all intersections, crossings, car parks, shopping centres and driveways.

Drive carefully in areas where children may be playing. Reduce your speed where appropriate to help prevent an accident.

# Tips for people walking, scooting and skating

**Be considerate** and do not block the path. Allow enough space for others to pass.

**Be predictable** by walking, scooting or skating in a smooth line.

Keep pets on a short leash for everyone's safety. All pets must be kept on a leash no longer than 2 metres. Refrain from riding a bike or skating with a pet on a leash. When walking with your pet, keep to the left hand side of the path and keep your pet on your left side.

Wheelchairs and mobility scooters can go anywhere a pedestrian can go and should follow the same rules as pedestrians. For more information visit www.tmr.qld.gov.au and search "mobility scooter".

### Tips for everyone

**Keep left** and stay on the path, so others can pass on your right.

**Be aware** of what's going on around you. When using phones or headphones, keep your eyes up and the volume down.

Check before entering paths by looking both ways.

Be aware that some people, such as bike riders may take longer to stop than people walking.

**Be considerate** and allow space for other users. When stopping to chat or enjoy the scenery, move off the path so others can move past.

Protect the existing habitat and stay on the allocated paths. Do not collect plant or animal materials or feed the wildlife. Please admire and respect the wildlife from a safe distance and dispose of any rubbish appropriately.



