Bicycles at Clare Hall

A quick guide to keeping your bike secure and staying safe on the roads.
Below are the most necessary steps you can take in bike safety both in Clare Hall and around Cambridge:

1. Register your bicycle at the Porters’ Lodge; this record can be used in the event of theft to file a police report.

2. Register your bicycle through Immobilise, and consider using their property marking kit or RFID tags.

3. Ensure you have at least one quality lock and are familiar with its use.

4. Read, understand, and implement advice and guidance given in the Highway Code for Cyclists.

5. Consider taking a FREE road awareness lesson (CRSid email address required).
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The College would like to promote the safe storage and use of bikes both in Clare Hall and around the city.

**Security.** The safest place within Clare Hall to park your bike is on the racks provided; these are mostly covered by CCTV, and offer bespoke locking points. The use of rails around the car park, especially those nearest the entrance and exit, is discouraged.

**Road Safety.** When using the Clare Hall car park, please observe the one-way system. When cycling around Cambridge a helmet, lights, and high-visibility clothing are strongly advised, especially at night or in Winter. Cyclists are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the [Highway Code for Cyclists](#) and to be proactive in their safety.

**Racks.** The College has rack space for up to 108 bicycles. Care should be taken when placing bikes to ensure they make the best use of space, and that they can be safely removed. Users are encouraged to use racks, freeing the “hurdle” style locking points for those less able.

**Out and About**

Always secure your bike when you leave it, even if only for a few minutes.

Park your bike where everyone can see it, and avoid leaving your bike in the same place every day.

Lock ‘tight’ so that your bike is hard to move around when parked. **Lock both wheels and the frame** to a bike stand or other immoveable object. Make sure the post can’t be cut through or the bike lifted off.

Locks can be picked, so face the lock to the ground (but not resting on it) so it can’t easily be turned upwards for picking.

Take with you any items that can be removed without tools such as wheels, lights, pump, saddle etc

If you have quick release wheels and seats, it is possible to replace those with [security skewers](#).

Go to the [CUSU Welfare](#) cycling page for more advice and information on next steps.

**Finally ...**

Wear a **helmet** and **high-visibility** clothing

Install **lights** both front (white) and rear (red)

Shoulder-check and signal clearly before turning across traffic

**BE SAFE, BE SEEN**
We hope this guide has been of interest and value.

Feedback is appreciated.

Useful Links

(when printed)

The following are contained as hyperlinks within this document:

www.immobilise.com

www.highwaycodeuk.co.uk/changes-and-answers/highway-code-for-cyclists

www.cycleconfident.com/sponsors/cambridge

www.cyclingabout.com/list-ways-theft-proof-wheels-secure-components-locking-security-skewers-seatpost-locks

www.studentadvice.cam.ac.uk/welfare/cycling

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