# Are you clearly visible on the bike?

Good bicycle lights and reflective material help ensure that you are clearly visible in traffic.

That's important for you, but for others too. Especially during the dark winter days.

As a cyclist, you must have a front and rear light switched on in the dark, dusk and when visibility is poor. You can also use detachable lights. However, fixed bicycle lights are much better.

The bicycle must also have reflectors. The rules are outlined in this flyer.



## Rules for bicycle lights:

- > Bicycles and tricycles with one wheel at the front must be fitted with a white or yellow light on the front unless the cyclist has a white or yellow light attached to their chest;
- > Bicycles must be fitted with a red rear light at the back unless the cyclist or passenger sitting behind the cyclist has a red light attached to their back;
- > The lights must not blind other road users;
- > The lights must shine straight ahead and straight behind, they may not flash and detachable lights must not move around too much:
- > Detachable lights must be clearly visible. Nothing must be hanging
- in front of or over them;
- > Additional lights, such as funny LEDs in wheels or more than one headlight, are not permitted.
- > A bicycle may, however, have two amber indicators on the front and rear of the bicycle.

A bicycle with two front wheels (for example a cargo bike) must have two white or yellow lights on the front and one red light on the back.

#### **Rules for reflection:**

A bicycle with two wheels must have the following retro-reflectors:

- > A red reflector on the rear of the bicycle;
- > Amber reflectors in the pedals;
- > White or yellow reflectors on the wheels or tyres;

Does your bike have one front wheel and two rear wheels and is it wider than 0.75 metres? If so, in addition to the reflectors stated above, your bicycle must also have a white reflector facing forwards. In the case of a (cargo) bike with two front wheels and one rear wheel, only the rules for reflectors stated above apply.

### Fines:

#### You may be fined if:

- You don't have a functional front and rear light at night (period between dusk and dawn) or during the day if visibility is seriously impeded;
- > You cycle without reflectors on the rear of your bike, in the pedals and in the wheels/tyres of your bike;
- > Your bike's light is the wrong colour, is flashing, is not visible or is attached in the wrong place;
- You have a blinding white or yellow light on the front of your bike.

For your own safety, and the safety of others, it is important that you are clearly visible. IK Valop!

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