

# THE LAW AND CYCLISTS

A bicycle is considered a vehicle under the Ontario Highway Traffic Act (**HTA**). This means that cyclists have the same rights and responsibilities to obey all traffic laws as other road users and they can be charged for disobeying traffic laws. The following are key sections of the HTA relating to cyclist.

(HTA Section)	Offence	Set Fine
HTA 62(17)	Improper lighting	\$85.00
HTA 64(3)	Improper brakes	\$85.00
HTA 75(5)	No or defective bell/horn	\$85.00
HTA 104	Fail to wear proper helmet	\$60.00
HTA 140(1)(a) (b) )c)	Fail to yield to pedestrian	\$150.00
HTA 140(6) / 144(29)	Cyclist - ride in a crossover or crosswalk	\$85.00
HTA 142	Fail to signal a turn	\$85.00
HTA 144/136	Fail to obey traffic signals and signs	\$85.00
HTA 144(10)	Fail to obey bicycle traffic control signal	\$85.00
HTA 144(18)	Fail to stop at a red light	\$260.00
HTA 147	Slow moving traffic travel on right side	\$85.00
HTA 148(6)	Bicycle fail to turn out to right when overtaken	\$85.00
HTA 153	Drive wrong way - one way street	\$85.00
HTA 166	Fail to stop two metres behind streetcar doors and yield to passengers	\$85.00
HTA 175(12)	Fail to stop for stopped school buses	\$400.00
HTA 178(1)	Attaching to a vehicle	\$85.00
HTA 178(2)	Passengers not allowed on bicycle built for one	\$85.00
HTA 218	Cyclist - fail to stop or identify self	\$85.00
HTA Reg 630	Riding on expressways	\$85.00

For complete information on Ontario's Highway Traffic Act and the laws and regulations pertaining to cycling, visit [ontario.ca/laws](http://ontario.ca/laws). (April 22, 2018)