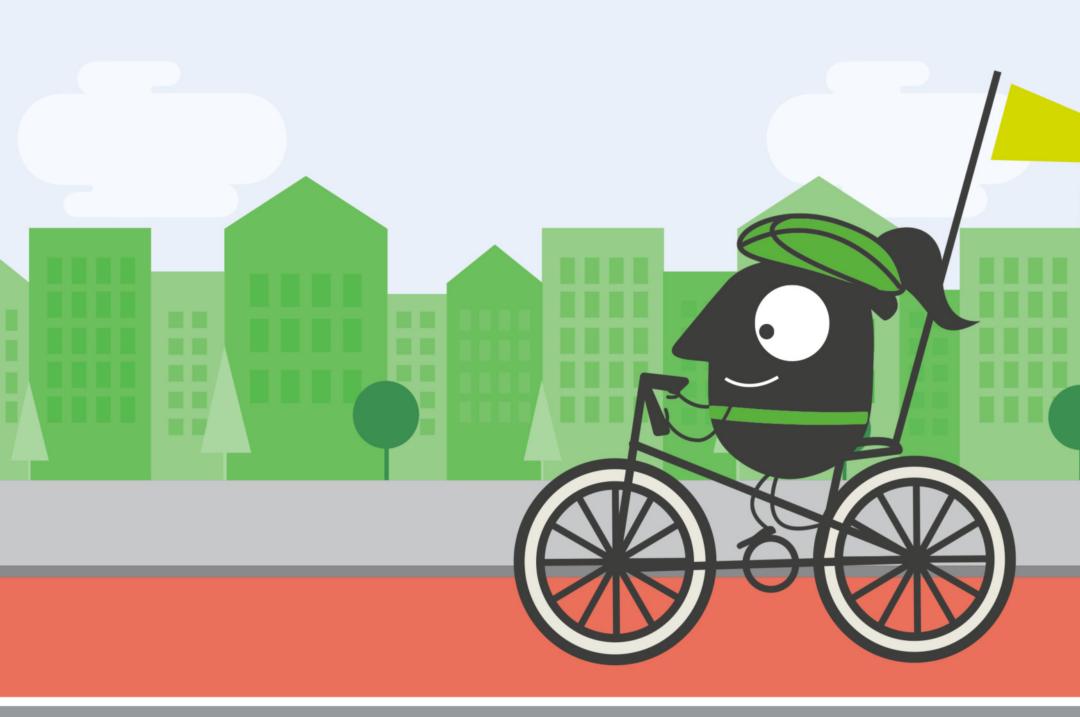


CYCLE PATH USE in Datteln





Mandatory Use of Bike Lanes



bike path



pedestrian & bike path, separated



pedestrian & bike path, shared

These signs mean: Cyclists **must use bike lanes** and are not allowed to ride on the street.

Exceptions: If the bike lane is not usable (e.g., obstacles, snow, construction), cycling is allowed on that part oft he street.

Cycling on sidewalks is prohibited!

Exception: Children...

up to **10 years** old **may ride** on the sidewalk. up to **8 years** old **must ride** on the sidewalk and may be accompanied by their parents.



Two-Way Bike Traffic



Cycle path - Cycling in both directions

Keep Right Rule: If there is a bike lane on each side of the street, always use the right bike lane in the direction of travel!

With the shown sign, cyclists are also allowed to use the left bike lane in the direction of travel.



Bike Traffic Permitted





Pedestrian Path - Bicycles Allowed

This path is designated for pedestrians, but cycling is permitted.

Walking speed: Cyclists must take special care of pedestrians and adjust their speed to pedestrian traffic!

Pedestrians must not be endangered or obstructed!



Non-Mandatory Bike Lanes



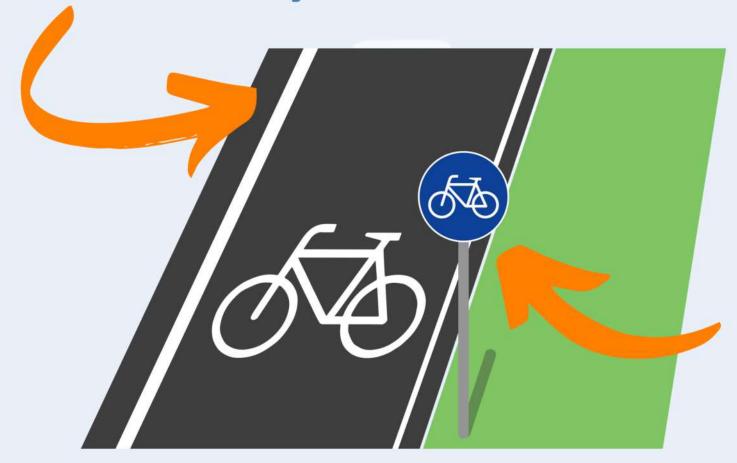
No Signs: There are also bike lanes without blue signs. They are, for example, colored yellow, paved, or marked off.

These paths are clearly visually distinguishable from the sidewalks.

These bike lanes may be used, but it is not mandatory. Alternatively, cycling on the street is allowed, but **not on the sidewalks.**



The Bicycle Lane



The bicycle lane is marked with the **blue bike lane sign** and a **solid white line**.

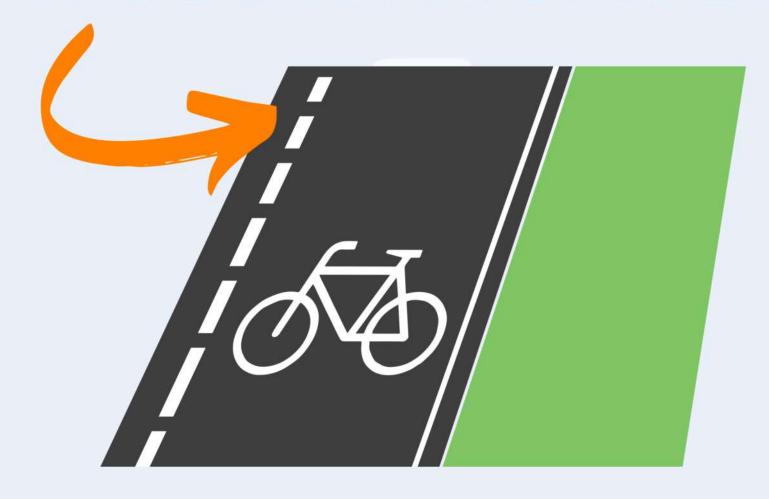
Mandatory Use: Cyclists must use this bike lane!

Motor vehicles are not allowed to drive on or stop or park on the bike lane.

Exception: If properties or parking spots need to be reached through thebike lane, then motor vehicles are allowed to drive over that. They must certainly not endanger cyclists in this case!



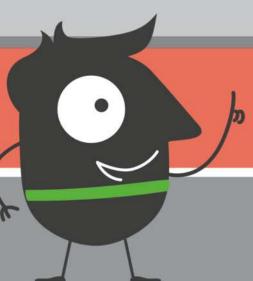
The Buffered Bike Lane



The buffered bike lane is marked by a dashed white line.

No Mandatory Use: Cyclists are not obliged to use this bike lane but they should do that.

Motor vehicles are allowed to cross the buffered bike lane, but only in exceptional cases as necessity. Stopping is allowed, but parking is prohibited.





Pedestrian crossings (Crosswalks)



Pedestrian crossing (Crosswalk)

This sign means: Pedestrians and wheelchair users have **priority over crossing traffic**.

If cyclists cross a pedestrian crossing without dismounting, they do not have priority and must wait.

Cyclists **who dismount** and walk their bicycles are considered as pedestrians. They have the **same priority as pedestrians**.

By the way: Cyclists on the road must behave like car drivers at a pedestrian crossing: they must brake and wait for pedestrians crossing!



Where is it allowed to ride e-scooters?



Electric Micro Vehicles Allowed

This is permitted: E-scooters are allowed on bike paths, bike lanes, and bike roads. If these are not available, they may also be ridden on the street.

This is prohibited: E-scooters must never be used on sidewalks – even if the motor is off.

The additional sign "Electric Micro Vehicles Allowed" allows e-scooters, for example, to travel through pedestrian zones.

The additional sign "Bicycles Allowed" does not apply to escooters! Exception: When one-way streets are allowed in the opposite direction.