



September 30, 2011

2011 Bicycle Counts: *Thank you for volunteering!*

You will need a pen or pencil, a watch (preferably with an alarm) and something to write on (a clipboard looks very official).

Counts are taken in blocks of fifteen minutes. A 90-minute count will fill TWO count forms. Please make sure to enter the intersection, date and your name at the top of the form. Having a watch with an alarm will help you to keep track of the fifteen minute increments.

If your scheduled count date is a day with heavy rain forecasted, we ask that you postpone your count to a day without a forecast for rain.

Cyclists are recorded in one of three categories:

- Riding on the street with traffic
- Riding on the sidewalk (on bridges please note the direction of travel), or
- Riding on the street the wrong way (i.e., against traffic)

We also ask that you record cyclists' gender as well as those who are wearing a helmet. This is recorded **in addition to** the cyclist's riding behavior. Please review attached sample sheet.

For every fifteen minute block, record the cyclists who are traveling East/West in the white block and cyclists traveling North/South in the grey box.

For counts on bridges, record the cyclists who are traveling West in the white block and cyclists traveling East in the grey box.

People walking their bikes on the sidewalk are not counted.

People who ride onto the sidewalk to park their bikes, or transition from the sidewalk to the street in the intersection from having parked their bikes, may be counted as riding on the street.

Turning cyclists are recorded as traveling the direction they enter the intersection from.

When you have completed a time period, please write the total number in each box and circle it.

Fax completed forms to [267-909-8726](tel:267-909-8726), or scan and email to bike@bicyclecoalition.org, and then mail the hard copy to our office.

Thank you for your assistance,
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