

## **Bushwalking NSW Inc.**

## **Bicycle Code**

- 1. Ride only on tracks and paths where cycling is permitted. Obey relevant road rules and wear a helmet. Respect track and road closures. Do not trespass on private land. Do not cycle in wilderness areas closed to bicycles.
- 2. As far as possible leave no trace. Avoid cycling conditions in which you will leave traces such as on damp or muddy soils shortly after rain. Avoid heavy braking and skidding in order to protect track surfaces. Stay on the track and don't create any new ones. Walk your bike over a track obstruction rather than creating a new track around it. Stay on zigzags and don't cut corners. Carry out what you carry in. Dispose of human waste properly.
- 3. Keep your attention on riding your bicycle so that you keep it under control. All speed limits and road rules should be obeyed where applicable. Always consider others on the track both cyclists and walkers. Slow down around other track users. Respect others by slowing to a walk or even stopping. If possible let others know of your approach in advance. All bicycles to be fitted with a bell which is to be maintained in sound working condition and used by the cyclist when appropriate. Anticipate that other track users may be around corners or in blind spots. Ride single file and in small groups.
- 4. Plan your trip and be familiar with your equipment and your ability. Research as far as possible the conditions in the area in which you are riding and make suitable preparations. Carry tools and repair supplies (spare tube, patches, pump) to keep your bike in working order.
- 5. Cyclists should follow the guidelines in the Bushwalkers' Code prepared by Bushwalking NSW Inc. for minimal impact camping and general conduct in the bush.

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