



Rockland County Bike-on-Bus Program

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The Rockland County Department of Public Transportation is proud to join the growing number of transit systems across the country that have implemented bike-on-bus programs to help increase regional mobility while reducing air pollution.

Transport of Rockland (TOR) local service within Rockland County

Rockland County is including factory-installed, front-mounted bicycle racks on all new TOR buses, starting with our new low floor hybrid buses. Although the entire fleet is not yet equipped with racks, you are welcome to use bike racks on buses already equipped.

These new bicycle racks are easy to use as you can see in an **online video guide** (courtesy of CATA – State College, PA):

www.catabus.com/HowToVideos/BikeRacks/index.html

Printed directions for using the TOR bike rack are available at:

www.bicycleracks.com/busrack_support_howto.asp.

Directions in Spanish for using the TOR bike racks are available at

www.cttransit.com/pdfs/NewRider/bikes_on_board.pdf

(courtesy of the Connecticut Department of Transportation))

Tappan ZExpress (TZx) commuter service between Westchester and Rockland Counties

Customers are welcome to put their bicycles in the luggage bay of commuter coach buses on the Tappan ZExpress, simply ask that the driver to unlock the bay so that you can access it. (Note that some shifting of bicycles may occur while the bus is in transit)

Newer TZx buses have specialized slide-out bike racks that can be also used by experienced bicyclists. Please watch the video at <http://www.goldengatetransit.org/services/BikeRackMovies.php> before using these racks.

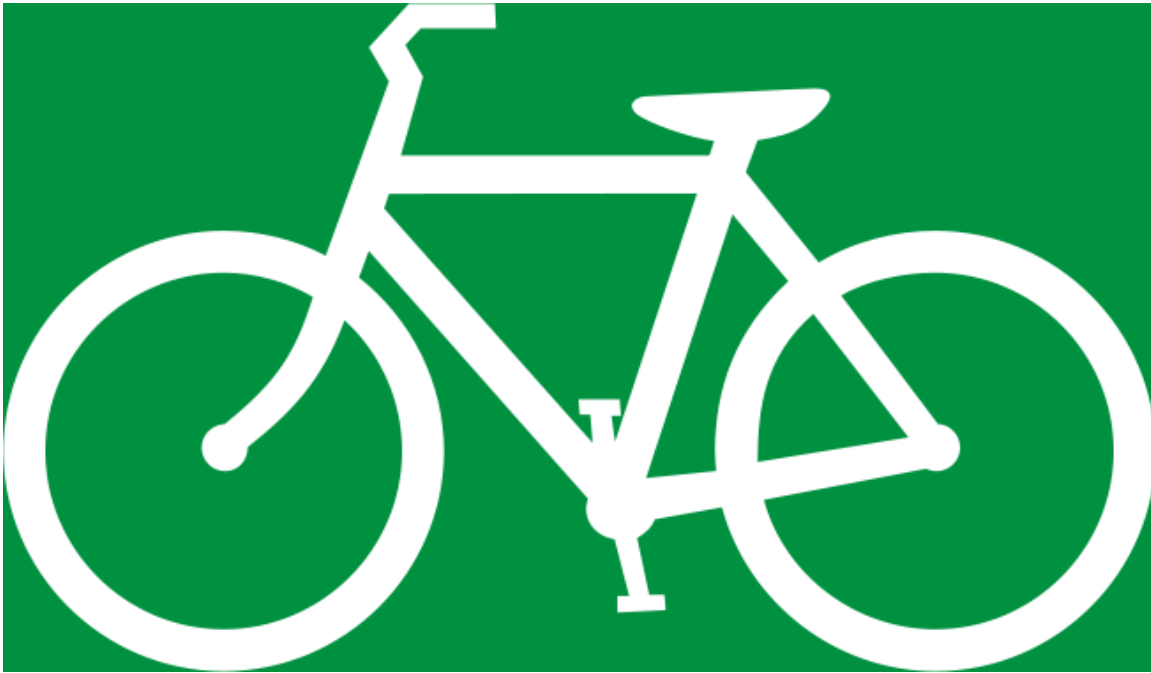
Rockland County Bike-on-Bus Rules for TZx and TOR

- No special permit or extra charge is required for this service
- The program operates on a “first-come, first served” basis
- Be ready to load your bike by removing all detachable accessories from your bike before the bus arrives
- Not all buses are equipped with bike racks
- Bikes are not allowed to be brought onboard into the passenger compartment (*except for folding bicycles*)
- Bicycles are transported at the owner's risk. Neither Rockland County nor Coach USA are responsible for damage, theft, or loss of bicycles
- Schedule, route and fare information is available at the Rockland County website or by calling (845) 364-3333
- Remember to take your bicycle with you when you get off the bus!

Other Bike-on-board Service in Rockland

Bicycles can be brought on **most off-peak** NJ Transit trains serving Nanuet, Pearl River, Sloatsburg, Spring Valley and Suffern train stations. For details see: www.njtransit.com/rg/rg_servlet.srv?hdnPageAction=BikeProgramTo

Bicycles can also be brought on the NY Waterway Haverstraw-Ossining ferry, for details see www.nywaterway.com/ferry/schedules/ferry-route.asp?ferryid=96



Regional Bike-on-board Transit Services

- **MTA Metro-North Railroad** (East of Hudson rail service including Ossining, Tarrytown and White Plains—bikes are allowed on most off peak trains, see MTA website for details. Note that a MTA bike permit is required)
www.mta.info/mnr/html/getaways/bikerule.htm
- **I-Bus** (Express bus service from White Plains to Stamford)
www.ibusexpress.com
- **Putnam County PART Bus** (Local bus service in Putnam County)
www.putnamcountyny.com/PART/general.htm
- **PATH** (Rapid Transit between New Jersey and Manhattan, bikes are allowed on most off-peak trains)
<http://www.panynj.gov/path/security.html>
- **MTA New York City Transit Subway**
www.mta.info/nyct/safety/bike/index.html
- **CT Transit** (Local bus service in Connecticut)
- www.cttransit.com/NewRider/Index.asp#Bikes
- **NJ Transit** (Bike-on-bus service in southern New Jersey)
www.njtransit.com/rg/rg_servlet.srv?hdnPageAction=BikeProgramTo
- **MTA Long Island Railroad** (bikes are allowed on most off peak trains. Note that a MTA bike permit is required)
<http://www.mta.info/lirr/about/Bicycles/>
- **Suffolk Transit**
<http://www.sct-bus.org/>
- **Additional bike-on-board information**
 - New York area www.transalt.org/resources/aboard
 - Across the country www.bikemap.com/bikesontransit/index.php

Regional Bicycling Links

- **New York State DOT Hudson Valley Bicycle Information and Route Map**
www.nysdot.gov/portal/page/portal/divisions/operating/opdm/local-programs-bureau/repository/bicycle/regional-bicycle-routes/region8/index.html
- **Westchester County Trailway Map**
<http://tourism.westchestergov.com/Hike%20&%20Bike-final.pdf>
- **New York City DOT Bicycle Route Map**
www.nyc.gov/html/dot/html/bicyclists/bikemaps.shtml
- **New Jersey DOT Bicycle Information**
www.state.nj.us/transportation/commuter/bike/
- **Port Authority George Washington Bridge Bicycle Information:**
www.panynj.gov/bridges-tunnels/gwb-pedestian-bicycle-info.html

- **Rockland County Bicycle Club**
www.rocklandbike.org/
- **Westchester County Cycle Club**
www.westchestercycleclub.org/
- **Westchester Biking & Walking Alliance**
www.westchesterbikewalk.org
- **New York Bicycling Coalition**
www.nybc.net
- **Transportation Alternatives**
www.transalt.org