

CAIRNS CYCLING & WALKING GUIDE

The Cairns region is uniquely located between two World Heritage areas of the Great Barrier Reef and Wet Tropics Rainforest. Cairns Regional Council provides over 450km of off-road paths as well as many on-road bike lanes for the cycling and walking enthusiasts to explore this unique region.

The following maps display existing shared paths suitable for walkers and cyclists and on-road cycle lanes or wide shoulders suitable for cycling.



SAFE CYCLING & WALKING

Some important safety rules for pedestrians and cyclists to remember are:

Cyclists must:

- Wear an Australian Standard bicycle helmet and keep it fastened at all times.
- Make sure your bicycle has a working bell and at least one effective brake.
- Fit your bicycle with steady flashing front and rear lights visible for at least 200m and a red reflector on the rear when riding at night.

- Keep at least one hand on the handlebars at all times
- A child being carried in a baby seat must also wear a helmet
- · Obey all the traffic rules
- · Give way to pedestrians
- Scooters and skateboarders must give way to cyclists and pedestrians

Smart Riding

- Be predictable and be visible at all times
- Learn and follow the road rules
- Ride with care and share the road
 - Hand signals must be given when
- turning right
- Cyclists should also give a left hand signal when turning or diverging left
- Stay focused and alert

Cyclist tips

- · Keep left at all times
- · Pass on the right and with care
- Give way to pedestrians at all times
- Sound your bell as you are approaching pedestrians to warn that you are about to pass
- Slow down if the path is crowded

Pedestrian tips

- · Keep left at all times
- Give way when crossing the path at right angles
- When you hear a cyclists bell, revert to single file, as close to the left as possible
- Keep dogs on a short leash
- Beware of cyclists and other wheeled recreational devices around you

SAFE CYCLING & WALKING

Roads

| | MOTORISTS | CYCLISTS |
|-----------|---|--|
| KEEP LEFT | Allow at least ONE metre leeway to cyclists; allow 1.5 metres on 80kph roads | Don't dart in and out around parked cars – keep a constant line |
| GIVE WAY | To cyclists, particularly when turning left and exiting properties | To motorists, particularly when entering the roadway from a footpath |
| BE SEEN | Look at approaching cyclists so they know you have seen them. Look left, look right, look at rider | Wear light coloured clothing, always clearly signal your intentions and use front and rear lights at night |

Shared Pathways

- every path in Queensland is a shared path unless signed otherwise
- keep left
- pedestrians are not to block the path
- cyclists give way to pedestrians
- people on roller blades or skates, skate boards or electric bicycles (maximum 200 watts) give way to both cyclists and pedestrians
- cyclists must slow down and sound bell when approaching pedestrians





On-Road Bike Lane

When a bicycle lane has been designated, cyclists should, wherever possible, use this lane.



Bicycle Prohibition

Cyclists must dismount, you cannot ride on a road or path where signs or road markings specifically ban bicycles.



Bicycle Awareness Zone

Yellow bicycle symbols on the road advise vehicles of the potential presence of cyclists using the route and advise cyclists they must share the road with traffic

For more tips on cycling please visit www.tmr.qld.gov.au

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Map Legend

Dedicated Cycle Path

Offroad Sealed Path

Please note: These routes may

Walking Tracks

Cane Train Track

Railway Line

River / Creek Public Library Swimming Pool School

Shopping Centre Park / Reserve

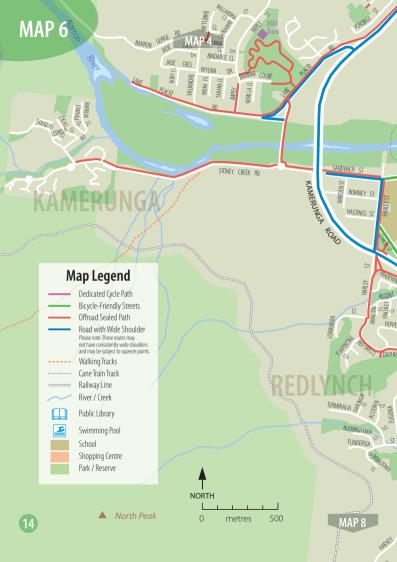
Bicycle-Friendly Streets

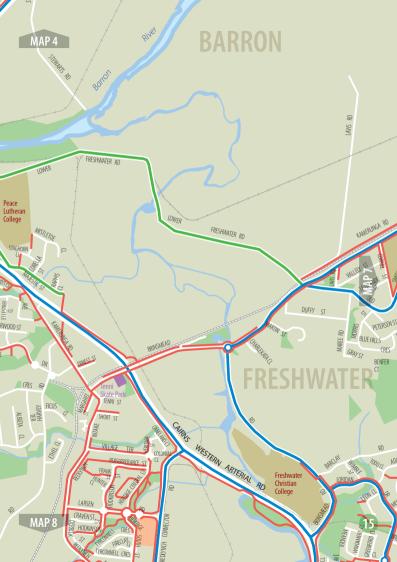












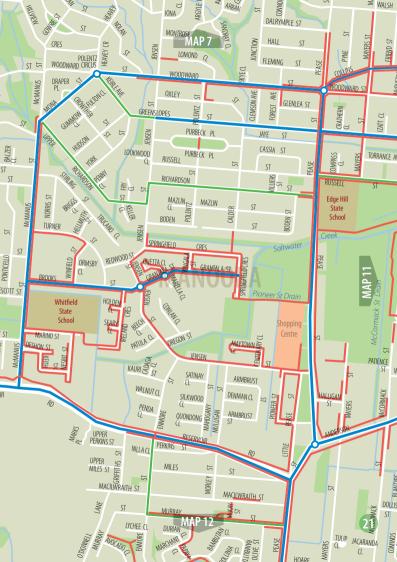


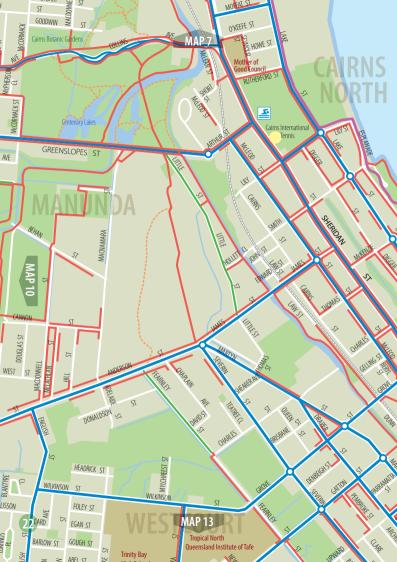


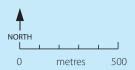
























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