



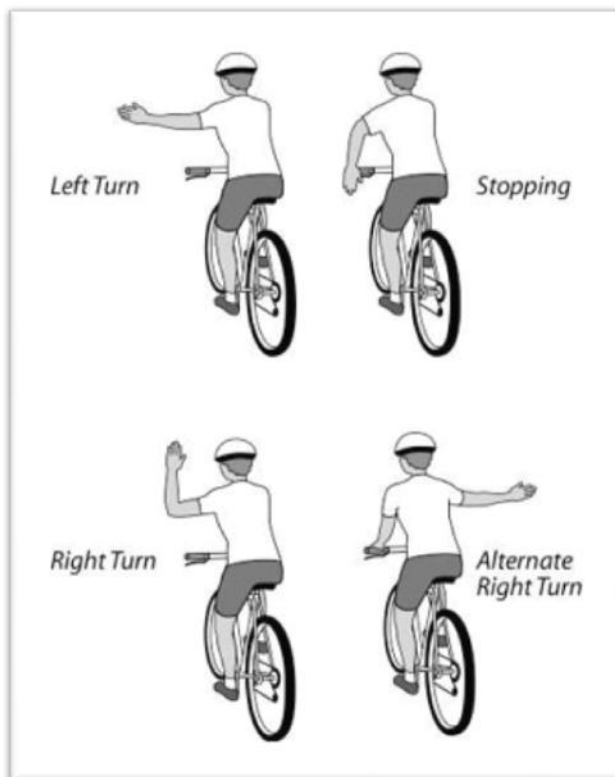
The Old Mission Peninsula is one of the most beautiful and scenic areas in Northern Michigan. With its amazing views, smooth country roads and crystal clear water, it sets the perfect stage for a great ride.

The Cherry Roubaix Charity Ride beautifully shows the Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy's work on Old Mission Peninsula, which features over **5,000 acres of protected land and shoreline**. One of the most notable is **Pyatt Lake: The Bill Carls Nature Preserve - one of the most diverse properties on the Peninsula**. And, who could forget your food stop the historic **Bowers Harbor Inn, protected in partnership with the Michigan Historic Preservation Society!**

*The Cherry Roubaix Charity ride is not just an event– it's an experience! The beauty of the Old Mission Peninsula sets the stage for a great ride that wouldn't be the same without the help of our supporters and passionate cyclists like you!*

## Bike Safety Tips

- Wear a helmet!
- Same road, same rules. This means you stop at red lights until they turn green, stop at stop signs, ride with the flow of traffic, and yield to pedestrians crossing the street.
- Don't ride on the sidewalk. If you feel unsafe on the road, get off your bike and *walk* it on the sidewalk. Riding on the sidewalk prevents cars from noticing you when you're crossing intersections because they just aren't expecting a bike on the sidewalk.



Common bike signals

- Don't ride through crosswalks. Same reason as above.
- Use hand signals when you're going to turn left or right.
- Make eye contact with the driver behind you when you're stopped at a red light to make sure he/she sees you.
- When you're stopped at a red light, take up the whole lane and stay in the center of the lane until you're finished going through the green light. This prevents hasty cars from trying to drive around you while they're turning right.
- If the road is too narrow for a car to safely pass you, take up the whole lane. You're legally allowed to do that.
- Be predictable. Don't dart in and out of traffic.
- Don't listen to music on headphones while you're riding. It's distracting and it really does make you less aware of what's around you. If you have to listen to music on your commute, take the bus.
- Wear blinky lights/reflective stuff at night. If you ride a dark-colored bicycle, buy some cheap reflective tape to put on your bike. It can really make a big difference in your visibility.
- Get a helmet mirror!
- Bike at least two feet to the left of parked cars to avoid getting "doored".