



# Village of Kinderhook

Birthplace of our 8th President Martin Van Buren

## **Our walkable, bikeable village.**

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We would like to remind motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians of a few rules of the road and safety tips to assure the safety of all users of our streets.

### **Motorists:**

- Follow the speed limits.
- Be alert at all times for walkers, joggers & bicyclists.
- Be prepared to share the road with bicyclists, such as where there are parked cars near the center of the village and on narrow streets.
- When passing walkers, joggers and bicyclists, give them as much space as possible, especially when there is no other vehicle approaching.
- At non-signalized intersections, yield for pedestrians in the crosswalks.

### **Bicyclists:**

- Wear bike helmets. Bicyclists under the age of 14 are required by law to wear an approved safety helmet.
- Always ride in the same direction as traffic. Never ride in the street or on a shoulder against traffic.
- Ride single file when being overtaken by vehicles.
- Have reflectors, lights and reflective gear if riding at night.
- Youngsters riding on sidewalks should be courteous and yield right-of-way to walkers. When approaching a walker from the rear, announce your presence. Bikes should have bells to use for this purpose.

### **Pedestrians :**

- Use the sidewalks whenever they are available.
- If walking or jogging in the street, always walk or jog against traffic.
- Walkers and joggers should stay as far left as possible when oncoming vehicles are approaching.
- Have reflective clothing or flashlights when walking or jogging at night.

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