

Grade 2 (On-Road) Cycle Safety Skills Training



For Auckland Intermediate & Secondary Schools

Overview

Grade 2 Cycle Training is offered at no charge to schools across Auckland for students in Year 7 -10. This is a targeted programme that is available for students who currently cycle to school (or who will potentially cycle to school).

The programme covers Grade 2 of the NZ Transport Agency Cyclist Skills Training Guidelines. This grade teaches skills to cycle in a variety of traffic environments and is taught on local roads near the school. Roads chosen will be lightly trafficked, single-lane roads with minor intersections. Negotiating traffic lights is not taught at this level.

Grade 2 training includes a classroom session, a playground session and practical on-road sessions. As the training takes place on the road, students need to be competent at riding their bikes. This will be assessed during the playground session and any student not deemed capable will not be allowed to progress to the road riding portion. (Please note that Auckland Transport also offers an alternative training programme for students in Year 7 - 8 which is taught off the road. A separate information sheet on this programme is available).

Course Numbers

The instructor to student ratio for Grade 2 is 1:6. Auckland Transport offers this training to a minimum of 6 students and a maximum of 30 students at a time. All students should currently be cycling to school, or have the potential to cycle to school. Numbers are limited for Grade 2 training so please discuss availability with your Community Transport Coordinator.

Course Duration

This course generally takes 2 whole school days so students will need to be released from class for this time. We can discuss running the course over more days if this is preferred (i.e. 4 x afternoons), but find the students learn best if delivered in 2 days straight.

Core Skills

The Core skills covered in Grade 2 training are as follows:

- Achieve all Grade 1 skills
- Recall an understanding of road signs and the road rules
- Start from the side of the road
- Stop on the side of the road
- Ride along the road
- Pass a parked-car or slower-moving vehicle
- Turn left at a controlled and uncontrolled intersection
- Turn right at a controlled and uncontrolled intersection
- Travel straight through controlled and uncontrolled intersections

Booking process

If your school is interested in Grade 2 training, please contact your Auckland Transport Community Transport Coordinator (CTC). If there is availability, your CTC will arrange our cycle instructors to meet with you and explain the course in more detail. The meeting will cover:

- Explanation of the course
- Discussion on potential numbers of students and parent permission
- Potential dates and course timetable
- Local roads and issues that our instructors should be aware of



