Bicycle violations will result in traffic tickets! from age 16 or higher

The Japanese Traffic Law has been revised, and starting April 1, 2026, traffic violations committed by cyclists will be subjected to fines. There are 113 types of violations covered under this new system. (Some key violations are listed below)

Main bicycle traffic violations and their relative fines (effective from April 1, 2026)



Using a cellphone while riding

Violation: Cellphone use (held in hand)

Fine: ¥12,000



Riding on the right side or on sidewalks without permission

Violation: Lane usage violation

Fine: ¥6,000

Running a red light **Violation: Signal violation**

Fine: ¥6,000

Entering an intersection without stopping

Violation: Failure to stop at designated location

Fine: ¥5,000



Riding with an umbrella or wearing earphones that block surrounding sounds.

Violation: Breach of Gunma Public Safety Committee regulations Fine: ¥5,000

Obstructing pedestrians at a crosswalk.

Violation: Pedestrian interference

Fine: ¥ 6,000

Riding without lights at night

Violation: Failure to comply with nighttime lightning requirements.

Fine: ¥5,000

Riding side by side with another cyclist

Violation: Parallel riding prohibition

Fine: ¥3,000

Carrying a second person on a bicycle.

Violation: Violation of light vehicle loading restrictions.

Fine: ¥3,000

Please ride your bicycle safely.

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