




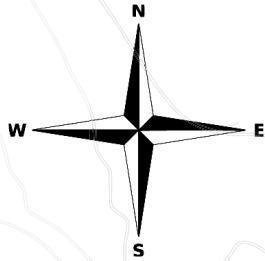


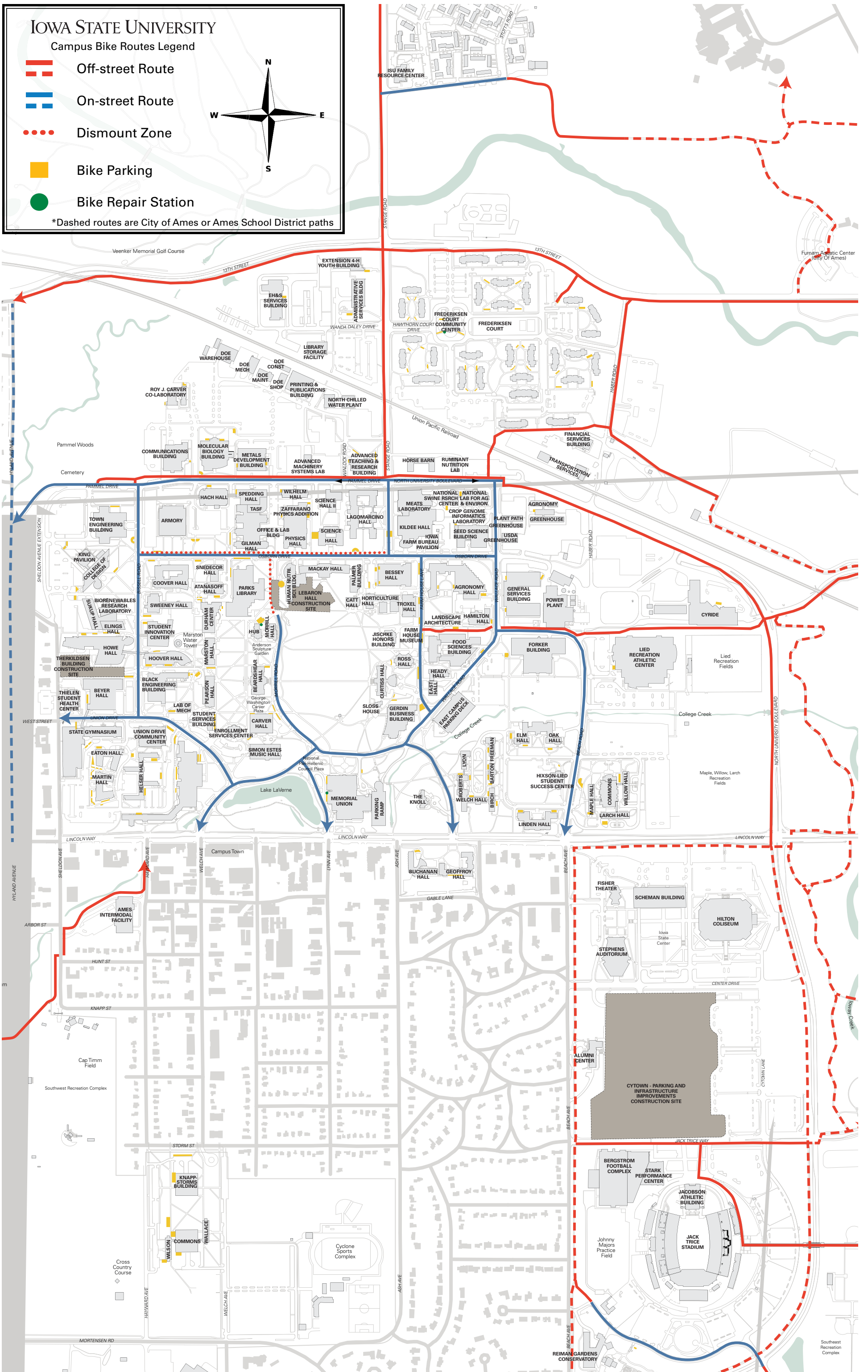
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Campus Bike Routes Legend

-  Off-street Route
-  On-street Route
-  Dismount Zone
-  Bike Parking
-  Bike Repair Station



*Dashed routes are City of Ames or Ames School District paths



Summary of State of Iowa Cycling Laws



Obey Traffic Signs and Signals

Bicyclists are responsible for obeying traffic laws. In order to reinforce the laws, bicyclists must obey traffic signs and signals on the road, bicyclists must obey traffic signs and signals like other road users.



Never Ride Against Traffic

Motorists and other cyclists are used to seeing traffic on the right side of the roadway. Riding against traffic increases the likelihood and time of an accident.



Follow Lane Markings.

Like other traffic, bicyclists must follow lane markings. Bicyclists can't turn left from the right-turn-only lane.



Use Hand Signals.

Hand signals tell motorists what you intend to do. It's a matter of law, courtesy and self-protection.



Ride on the Right.

When no shoulder is available, riding on the right is the most practical and safe.



Don't Pass on the Right.

Motorists are not looking for a bicyclist in the right lane. Passing must be done at a safe distance and speed. Return to the right side of the road only when there is a safe, clear distance in front of you.



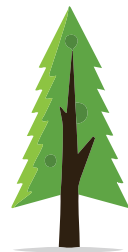
Obey Bicycle and Traffic Laws

Bicyclists who violate traffic laws are treated the same as motor vehicle drivers.

Use Lights at Night.

Front and rear lights must be used at night. Front lights must be white and a red rear light must be used. Reflectors must be used for at least 100 feet.

Safety Tips for Motorists



Do not honk your horn at bicyclists.

They may be startled and lose control.

Use extra caution when passing bicyclists.

Move entirely into the left lane; on a two-lane road, don't pass a bicycle if oncoming traffic is near.

Bicyclists might swerve to avoid road hazards.

Common road hazards for bicyclists are potholes, debris, drainage grates, railroad tracks, and narrow bridges.

Be careful when opening your vehicle door.

Road widths often force bicyclists to ride close to parked vehicles where they might be injured by an opening door.

When in doubt, yield to bicyclists.

