

WHO

- BCAC and BikeBrampton volunteers; PRIMARY LEADER, MARSHALL, SWEEPER(S), and riders.

WHY

- Like-minded social interaction while bringing awareness to the efficiency and convenience of city bike travel.

HOW

- Promote awareness of cycling as a means of active transportation, one ride in each ward.
- Ride Brampton's Streets-For-People in bicycle-friendly bike lanes, on recreational trails, and multi use paths.
- All volunteers have a role that is equally as important and will work together to ensure safety of riders.
- Sponsored by the City of Brampton.

PRIMARY LEADER ROLE

- Your attention is mostly forward focused with backend awareness provided by MARSHALL AND SWEEPER.
- Assemble ride volunteers 15 minutes before ride, communicate any pertinent details for that particular event.
- Primary responsibility is to not get lost! while safely guiding riders along planned route of travel.
- Determine if riders have chosen the appropriate ride according to their abilities (mingle with riders preride).
- Navigate publicly posted route to guide riders while using hand signals and voice prompts.
- Obey and demonstrate vehicle traffic rules using hand gestures and voice queues during ride.
- Watch out for debris and hazards and bring them to the attention of riders.
- Adjust pace or come to a stop if deemed necessary by MARSHALL or SWEEPER(S).
- Present preride briefing (BCAC-Community-Rides-Preride-Safety-Briefing.pdf)
- Introduce volunteers, their roles, and request that riders cooperate with their guidance.

MARSHALL ROLE

- Ensure safe rider behaviour and listen for assistance requests from the PRIMARY LEADER or SWEEPERS.
- Anticipate the unexpected before it has a chance to happen.
- Ride mid-pack as much as possible, avert ride chain behaviour that might put riders in danger.
- Merge riders into single file on single lane streets, allow side-by-side riding on double lane streets.
- Proceed to front of ride at intersections and activate pedestrian crossing button for a long green light if needed.
- Remain stopped at intersections, but do not block path-of-travel as riders proceed.
- Be prepared to stop riders at red light and then temporarily assume role of a PRIMARY LEADER.
- Be prepared to usher riders through intersections as one vehicle at all-way stop signs.
- Return to mid-pack role after reassembling riders for the PRIMARY LEADER, after red light chain break.
- Be attentive to ride-radio requests for assistance by SWEEPER(S) and/or the PRIMARY LEADER
- Might need to temporarily become a PRIMARY LEADER during a ride, thus be familiar with the role duties.
- Might need to temporarily become a SWEEPER during a ride, thus be familiar with the role duties.

SWEEPER(S) ROLE

- You are the last rider in the group and will not let any other riders fall behind you.
- In important strategic position to raise situational awareness for the MARSHALL or PRIMARY LEADER.
- Be aware of motor vehicle traffic behind the group that may be impeded by participant behaviour.
- If it becomes necessary to stop, immediately inform the PRIMARY LEADER and MARSHALL via ride-radio.
- Determine whether unexpected mechanical issues can be quickly resolved with basic tools on hand.
- Carry basic tools, such as self-adhesive tube patches, pump, and multi-tool for very basic bike maintenance.
- Remain with participant or divert to published shortcut route in the case of a rider struggling unexpectedly.