
Pottstown Area Rapid Transit

Bike & Ride Policy



Introduction

PART is proud to be a bicycle friendly transit system and encourages bicyclists to use our services to complete journeys to work or to explore the greater Pottstown area. Bike to a PART bus stop and use the bike rack that is attached to all PART vehicles to load and unload your bike safely and conveniently.

Step-By-Step Guide For Using The On-Vehicle Bicycle Racks

Loading A Bicycle

- 1.) Before the vehicle arrives, remove all loose items from your bicycle, such as water bottles, air pumps, and panniers, then board the bus and pay your fare.
- 2.) When the vehicle arrives, advise the operator that you will be stowing your bicycle.
- 3.) Load your bicycle from the curb side or front of the bus to avoid traffic in the adjacent lanes.

- 4.) Squeeze the handle at the top of the rack to release the latch and allow the rack to open.
- 5.) Lift your bicycle, place it into the rack, and fit the wheels into the labeled slots.
- 6.) Raise the support arm over the front tire so that the hook rests at the highest point of the front wheel.

Enjoy your ride!

Unloading A Bicycle

- 1.) Upon exiting the vehicle, advise the operator that you will be unloading your bicycle.
- 2.) Unload your bicycle from the curb side or front of the bus to avoid traffic in the adjacent lanes.
- 3.) Raise the support arm from the front tire. The support arm will automatically fold down into a secure position.
- 4.) Lift your bicycle out of the rack.
- 5.) If there are no other bicycles on the rack, squeeze the handle and close the rack.
- 6.) To ensure your safety, immediately step to the curb. Please wait for the vehicle to pull away and check for traffic before crossing or riding onto the street.

Bicycles are allowed:

On buses during all hours of operation from 6:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday

In the event of a lost or forgotten bicycle, all bicycles may be claimed at the PART office at 902 Farmington Avenue, Pottstown, PA 19464.

Bicycle Safety & Etiquette

You are responsible for loading and unloading your bike in a timely manner. For safety reasons, bus operators cannot get off the bus to help you.

Bike racks are available on a first come, first served basis. Bikes are not allowed on the inside of PART buses.

All bikes 16" or larger fit easily and securely on the rack, including children's bikes. All bikes load exactly the same way. PART bicycle racks accommodate most 2 wheeled bicycles, but do not accommodate motorized bicycles, tricycles, or tripeds.

Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult when using the bicycle rack system on a bus route.

PLEASE BE ADVISED

The Borough of Pottstown and Pottstown Area Rapid Transit, Inc. is not liable for damage to the bicycle. Bicycle theft, damage, or personal injury while loading and unloading the bike, acts by a third party and all other incidents are solely the responsibility of the rider/cyclist, not Pottstown Area Rapid Transit, Inc. or the Borough of Pottstown.