



# EYES EARS MOUTH



First adjust your helmet so it is level and snug.

- EYES > You should see the edge of your helmet when you look up.
- EARS 
  The straps should meet right under your ears to form a Y.

MOUTH → The strap should be snug enough that if you open your mouth you feel the helmet pull down.





# **BRIGHT AND TIGHT**

BRIGHT → Wear bright clothing so that others can see you. TIGHT → Tuck away shoelaces and backpack straps. Watch your pant legs.

### ABC QUICK CHECK:

Air Pinch the tires, they should be hard.

- Brakes Address Brakes work and aren't rubbing the tire.
- Chain 
  Make sure you can shift gears and the chain is tight.

QUICK ➡ Make sure all quick release levers and/or bolts are tight, especially the wheels.



CHECK -> Make sure nothing else on your bike is broken.



### RULES OF THE ROAD

- Always stop before entering the road and look both ways.
- Ride on the right, in the same direction as cars.
- Obey traffic signs, signals, and laws.
- Stop at all red lights and stop signs!
- Look back and signal before turning.
- Stop for people walking.
- If you ride at night you need a white front light and a red rear light.

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