When the traffic signal is yellow or red, drivers must come to a stop at the white line behind the green bike box, regardless if the box is currently in use. Be aware of bicyclists who may be approaching the box from the bike lane next to you. When the traffic signal turns green, drivers may proceed through the intersection with bicyclists going first.

What Motorists Should Know:

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What Are Bike Boxes?

Bike boxes improve conditions for both bicyclists and motorists at intersections by:

- Increasing the visibility of bicyclists and reminding motorists to be alert for bicyclists
- Helping bicyclists make safer turns and crossings by allowing them to get into the proper lane position for turns
- Encouraging bicycling by creating a safer and more comfortable road environment

How to Use a Bike Box:

UCLA's bike box is located on Strathmore Place at Westwood Plaza. You may enter the bike box from the eastbound green bike lane along Strathmore Place. The bike box is located in the middle lane of traffic with the bike lane running along the southern edge of the lane.

When the Light is Yellow or Red:

Ride from the bike lane into the bike box and position yourself in front of the through lane but behind the crosswalk. Wait for the green signal to move forward. Motorists will stop behind the bike box.

How to Turn Left:

From the bike lane, scan for traffic, signal your intent to change lanes and merge out of the bike lane into the dedicated left turn lane when safe.

How to Turn Right:

From the bike lane, scan for traffic, signal your intent to change lanes and merge out of the bike lane into the dedicated right turn lane when safe. Remember, stop before the crosswalk when the light is yellow or red. When the light turns green, scan for traffic, signal your intent to turn and turn when safe. Yield to pedestrians in the crosswalk.

If there is too much traffic to merge or if you are not comfortable making a turn, dismount and walk your bike in the crosswalk. Remember, these instructions are for the bike box located on Strathmore Place at UCLA. Safe practices may vary depending on the placement of the bike box and local rules and regulations.

Additional Resources:

UCLA Transportation: www.transportation.ucla.edu
UCLA Bike Shop: bit.ly/uclabikeshop
UCPD: www.ucpd.ucla.edu
LADOT Bicycle Services: www.bicyclela.org

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