Chatham Bikeways Committee - Rules & Regulations

Cyclists please note: to ensure the safety of all Old Colony Rail Trail users cyclists should observe the following guidelines

1. Wear protective headgear. This is required by State law for children 16 years of age and younger.
2. Keep to the right.
3. Ride in a straight line, single file.
4. Make a full stop at all STOP signs.
5. Dismount and walk your bike across all crosswalks.
6. When passing, check behind you and alert the cyclist with a call or bell warning.
7. Move off Bike Trail when stopped and not riding.
8. Wear bright, highly visible clothing especially at dusk.
9. Strap your children into child carriers attached to or behind your bicycle.
10. No motorized vehicles allowed on Bike Trail.
11. Non-cyclists must yield to cyclists on the Bike Trail.
12. For safety of Bike Trail users, all dogs must be leashed.
13. Dog owners are required to clean up after their animals.
14. Dial 911 to report accidents.
15. Report illegal use of Bike Trail to the Chatham Police (508) 945-1213.
16. Do not litter. Littering has a fine of $100.00.
17. Please respect private property adjacent to the Bike Trail.
18. No alcoholic beverages allowed.
19. When biking on roads use proper signals; when turning signal in advance.
20. Bike Trail Curfew - 10:00 PM to 6:00 AM.