

## How does it work?



1. Pull the handle to release and lower the rack with one hand while holding your bike with the other hand. Most first-time users can load or unload their bicycles in less than 25 seconds. (Photo 1)



2. After lowering the rack, follow the instructions on the rack where it says to “Place front wheel here” and lift your bike into either of the wheel wells. Even with one bike already on the rack, it’s easy to load or unload a second or third bicycle.



3. Pull the support arm over the tire as high on the tire as it will go. This secures your bike in place. (Photo 2)



4. Before you get off the bus, be sure to **TELL THE DRIVER YOU ARE UNLOADING YOUR BIKE!** (Photo 3)

5. To unload the bike, pull the support arm up and off the tire. If your bike is in back, you do not need to remove the bikes in front. Pull the bike rack into standing position if no other bikes are on rack. (Photo 4)

## What if the bike rack is full?

Additional bikes may be carried inside certain buses on certain selected routes as follows...

<b>26 Lynden</b>	Last bus inbound or outbound
<b>27 Ferndale</b>	Last bus inbound or outbound
<b>42 Sudden Valley</b>	Anytime inbound or outbound
<b>50 Gooseberry</b>	Anytime inbound or outbound
<b>70X Blaine Express</b>	Anytime inbound or outbound
<b>71X Everson/Nooksack/Sumas Express</b>	Anytime inbound or outbound
<b>72X Kendall via Mt. Baker Express</b>	Anytime inbound or outbound
<b>All other routes</b>	Last bus of the day

Always bring a bike lock in case you need to lock your bike up to a bus stop pole.

Please remember these rules when bringing a bike inside a bus...

1. Operators can assist you in securing your bike.
2. Unless occupied, bikes should first be secured in the designated wheelchair securement stations.
3. Passengers in wheelchairs or other mobility devices always have priority for use of the wheelchair securement stations. If the space is needed by a person in a wheelchair or other mobility device, the bike(s) must be moved.
4. If securement stations are occupied, bikes may be secured in the rear of the bus in open areas adjacent to sideways-facing bench seats.
5. Bikes already secured inside the coach may remain inside, even if space becomes available on the outside rack.

### **SAFETY TIP:**

**As you get off the bus, please notify the driver you need to remove your bike.**

# Bicycle Express

## WTA's bike racks are great for people who...

- live too far to walk to the nearest bus stop
- need their bike for quick trips during the day
- don't want to hassle with commuting by car
- want to ride the bus one way and bike home to get some exercise
- want to save money on driving and parking costs
- best of all, it's easy! See inside for details

Bikes left on buses will be removed at Bellingham Station.  
Bikes can be claimed at WTA administrative offices,  
4111 Bakerview Spur, Bellingham 98226.

After one week bikes are taken to Bellingham police station.

## Suggestions? Comments?

We would like to hear from you! Give us a call at 676-RIDE (teletype machine: 676-6844) or check out our website at <http://www.ridewta.com>



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