

FACILITY TYPES



1 SIDEWALK

A sidewalk is a bi-directional facility for pedestrian use that runs parallel to adjacent roadways. Under the Nova Scotia Motor Vehicle Act, only children are permitted to cycle on sidewalks; therefore, the sidewalk is a space dedicated to those who travel by foot and/or utilize an assistive mobility device, such as a wheelchair, walker or cane.



2 MULTI-USE PATHWAY

A multi-use pathway is a bi-directional shared facility that accommodates the movement of various active transportation users, including cyclists. A multi-use pathway may have a marked centerline to help facilitate active transportation flow.



3 PAVED SHOULDER

A paved shoulder is an asphalted area located on the outer edge(s) of the roadway and is separated from motorists by a white line. They can function as a space for cyclists and pedestrians to travel in when other active transportation facilities are absent.

Photo Source: Small Town and Rural Design Guide Website



4 PAINTED BIKE LANE

A painted bike lane is an unprotected dedicated space for cyclists that runs parallel to vehicular travel lanes within a roadway and is delineated by a painted line. Bicycle pavement markings and signage are installed to indicate that the space is dedicated to cyclists.

FACILITY TYPE

PARAMETERS

	1	2	3	4
PHYSICALLY SEPARATED	✓	✓		
ALL AGES AND ABILITIES	✓	✓		
ACCOMMODATES PEDESTRIANS	✓	✓	✓	
ACCOMMODATES CYCLISTS		✓	✓	✓
EASY TO MAINTAIN			✓	✓
RECOMMENDED MINIMUM DIMENSION (m)	1.5	3.0	1.8	1.8
CAPITAL COST	\$\$ - \$\$\$	\$\$\$	\$ - \$\$	\$ - \$\$