- **Yield to pedestrians**—If people are on the sidewalk or trail, be patient and polite. Slow down and communicate your actions.

- **Pass on the left**—When passing a pedestrian, it’s preferable to pass on the left. Slow down and advise them: “On your left.” Never pass without verbal notice or by ringing your bell—you may startle them.

- **Be willing to walk your bike**—Bicyclists and pedestrians share the sidewalks. The sidewalks can get congested; at times it may be best for you to walk your bike.

- **Be predictable and stay alert**—Don’t swerve or ride recklessly. And don’t ride distracted or with headphones.

- **Stay visible**—Obey New York State laws that require bike lights when it’s dark.