

## Bikes on Buses

Spokane Transit Authority provides bike racks on all buses with the exception of the street-cars used on the Plaza/Arena Shuttle. The racks hold two single seat, two-wheeled, non-motorized bicycles.

Each bicycle can be secured independently of one another.

Whether you are going to work, school or play, you and your bike can ride the bus.

In the past, STA required special permits to use the bike racks. Beginning September 1, 2007, permits are no longer needed.

## How To Load Your Bike

**STEP 1.** As the bus pulls up, raise your hand to attract the attention of the operator. Before you step in front of the bus, make sure it has stopped completely and that the operator sees you. If the bike rack is full, you'll have to take the next bus.



**STEP 2.** If the rack is empty, use the trough that is furthest away from the bus. Squeeze the release handle on the top of the rack and pull toward you to lower it.



**STEP 3.** Lift your bike and place its wheels in one of the troughs, with the front wheel toward the spring-loaded bar. If a bike is already in the front rack, load your bike in the back trough, facing the opposite direction.



**STEP 4.** Raise the spring-loaded bar up and over the front tire and place it on the top of the tire, close to the bike frame.



**STEP 5.** Remove any loose items or valuables from your bike.

**STEP 6.** Board the bus and pay your fare.

**STEP 7.** As you near your stop, remind the operator that you will be removing your bike.

**STEP 8.** Get off the bus, then lower the spring-loaded bar from the tire and lift your bike off the rack. Fold up the rack if it is empty.



**STEP 9.** Go to the nearest curbside. Wave to let the operator know you and your bike are clear of the bus. Never cross the street in front of the bus: Passing traffic cannot see you coming around the bus.



### ADDITIONAL NOTES:

Using a bicycle in an unsafe manner or failing to yield to STA personnel may result in the loss of bike loading privileges on STA buses. It is against the law to operate a bicycle in the city of Spokane without a helmet.