



BICYCLE FRIENDLY STATE DOORING LAWS

Dooring laws provide a relatively clear rule to assign responsibility to what some people might see as an unavoidable accident – an opened door hitting or being hit by passing traffic. These laws make people responsible for looking for oncoming traffic – whether bikes, cars, or pedestrians – before opening their door. Learn more about these laws at bike-league.org/bike-law-university.

State	Statute	Mentions Bicyclists and/or pedestrians	Mentions sidewalk or other bike/ped infrastructure	Applies when loading and unloading	Applies when door left open
Alabama	§ 32-5A-54			X	X
Alaska	13 AAC 02.495				X
Arizona	28-905.			X	X
Arkansas	27-51-1307			X	X
California	22517			X	X
Colorado	42-4-1207			X	X
Connecticut	§ 14-300j	X	X	X	X
District of Columbia	§ 4190			X	X
Delaware	18-2214.4	X		X	X
Florida	§ 316.2005			X	X
Georgia	§ 40-6-243			X	X
Hawaii	§ 291C-0125			X	X
Idaho	§ 49-607			X	X
Illinois	§ 5/11-1407			X	X
Indiana	No law				
Iowa	No law				
Kansas	§ 8-1577			X	X
Kentucky	No law				
Louisiana	§ 32:283			X	X
Maine	§ 2068.4,5			X	X
Maryland	§ 21-1105.			X	X
Massachusetts	Ch. 90, Sec. 14	X			
Michigan	No state law, but provided for in Michigan's Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages				
Minnesota	§ 169.315			X	X
Mississippi	§ 63-3-911			X	X
Missouri	300.34			X	X
Montana	§ 61-8-368			X	X

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Nebraska	§ 60-6,180			X	X
Nevada	§ 484.475 or 484B.153			X	X
New Hampshire	§ 265:96			X	X
New Jersey	No law				
New Mexico	§ 66-7-367			X	X
New York	§ 1214			X	X
North Carolina	No law				
North Dakota	§ 39-10-54.1			X	X
Ohio	§ 4511.70(C).			X	X
Oklahoma	§ 11-1105			X	X
Oregon	§ 811.490(1).	X	X	X	X
Pennsylvania	§ 3705.			X	X
Rhode Island	§ 31-21-14	X	X	X	X
South Carolina	§ 56-5-3822			X	X
South Dakota	§ 32-30-2.5			X	X
Tennessee	No law				
Texas	§ 545.418			X	X
Utah	§ 41-6a-1704			X	X
Vermont	§ 1119			X	X
Virginia	§ 46.2-818.1				
Washington	§ 46.61.620			X	X
West Virginia	No law				
Wisconsin	346.94(20)(a)				
Wyoming	§ 31-5-121			X	X

ABOUT DOORING LAWS

- » Dooring laws are laws that require people in a vehicle to open their door with a degree of care for moving traffic. A typical dooring law requires that a person opening a vehicle door ensure that it is reasonably safe to open the door, that opening the door will not interfere with moving traffic, and that the door is not open for any more time than necessary.
- » Dooring laws were introduced to the Uniform Vehicle Code in 1956 as UVC §11-1105.