



APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO RIDE BIKE IN NEW YORK CITY

<b>APPLICANT NAME/ALIAS:</b> Big Red		<b>BOROUGH OF RESIDENCE:</b> Manhattan—is there any place else?	
<b>CHARACTER OF CYCLIST:</b> SOCIAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / ANTISOCIAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / POLITICAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / APOLITICAL <input type="checkbox"/> (depends on my mood)		<b>VELOPROP CYCLIST ID NO. Not Yet</b> 63875 (IF YOU DO NOT HAVE AN ID NUMBER, ONE WILL BE PROVIDED TO YOU.)	
<b>NAME OF ORGANIZATIONS, CLUBS, OR FRIENDS YOU RIDE WITH SO WE CAN FOLLOW THEM TOO:</b> I'm not telling!			
HAS ORGANIZATION FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE A SWORN COPY OF ITS CONSTITUTION AND OTHER DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING MEDICAL RECORDS, PSYCHOLOGICAL PROFILE, SAT SCORES, VOTING HISTORY, TISSUE SAMPLES, AND MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME? YES ___ / NO ___ / SEE NYPD FILE ___		ARE YOU NOW, OR HAVE YOU EVER BEEN, A MEMBER OF A CRITICAL MASS RIDE? YES ___ / NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / I PLEAD THE FIFTH ___ But I always wanted to	
<b>DESCRIPTION OF PARADE ROUTE (Where do you ride?)</b> All over the city—to work and back on weekdays, in Central Park after work and sometimes on weekends, over to New Jersey or up to Nyack or just around town when the weather is good.			
<b>DESCRIPTION OF IDENTIFIABLE UNIFORM OR EQUIPMENT (Tell us about your bike and gear!)</b> My commuting bike is a 12- or 13-year-old Bianchi hybrid ; I recently also bought a road bike for weekend fun—a Specialized Ruby Comp. I do wear bike pants, and a helmet when I ride in the street, but I generally don't wear a lot of special gear—I hate those shirts with fake sponsors names all over them.			
NUMBER OF CYCLISTS ANTICIPATED WITHIN ONE-BLOCK AREA		WILL RIFLES OR SHOTGUNS BE CARRIED: YES / NO FIRED: YES / NO (IF YES, INDICATE QUANTITY OR TYPE)	
<b>PURPOSE OF PARADE (Why do you ride?)</b> I ride because it's the fastest way for me to get to work, because I like to get exercise, because I hate riding on a crowded subway, because it makes a statement about the kind of person I am or want to be, because I think it makes the city safer, but mostly because it's fun.			
<b>MEETINGS BEFORE OR AFTER EVENT, WHO YOU WILL TALK TO, WHAT YOU WILL SAY:</b> I don't do meetings, if I can help it.		<b>NAME OF GRAND MARSHAL, RIDE LEADER, OR ANARCHIST-BENT-ON-MAYHEM IN CHARGE:</b> I'm sure we can import some outside agitators	
DEPOSES AND SAYS THAT ALL THE ANSWERS TO THE FOREGOING QUESTIONS ARE TRUE. PENALTY FOR FALSIFICATIONS: FALSIFICATION FOR ANY STATEMENT HEREIN IS AN OFFENSE PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OR IMPRISONMENT OR BOTH (NYC ADMINISTRATIVE CODE [10-154].)			
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT:			
SWORN TO ME, THIS DAY OF , 2007 BY:			
(MUST BE SIGNED BY NOTARY PUBLIC, COMMISSIONER OF DEEDS, MAYOR, POLICE CHIEF, OR ANYONE ELSE WHO IS REALLY HARD TO GET A SIGNATURE FROM.) NOTE: 24 HOURS NOTICE REQUIRED FOR PERMIT BEFORE RIDING. NO PARADES ARE PERMITTED ON SUNDAY BEFORE RIDING. NO PARADES ARE PERMITTED ON SUNDAY BEFORE 2PM, OR WHEN MRS. RAYMOND KELLY MUST BE DRIVEN TO AN IMPORTANT MEETING, UNLESS ATTENDED BY CIVIL SERVANT GS-9 OR HIGHER.			
<b>OPTIONAL:</b> IN ACCORDANCE WITH MAYOR BLOOMBERG'S DEPARTMENT OF SUSTAINABILITY AND PLANYC 2030 DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, THE CITY OF NEW YORK WANTS TO MAKE YOUR BICYCLING EXPERIENCE A PLEASANT ONE IN ABOUT 23 YEARS. PLEASE ASSIST US BY ANSWERING THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. WE WILL RESPOND WITHIN 5,980 BUSINESS DAYS.			
<b>What do you think of the new NYPD parade permit regulation?</b> Parade permits for bicyclists are harassment. We have to pay the same fines that motorists do for "infractions" against laws designed for motorists and that have few repercussions when "committed" by bicyclists (like going through a red light when there's no one coming), but then they try to make special laws to regulate bicyclists that don't apply to cars and their drivers.  Why don't motorists who parade in the thousands through the streets daily need a permit? Bicyclists are quieter, don't pollute, and generally won't kill you if you get hit by one (and bike/ped accidents are pretty rare, anyway).			
<b>How can the City improve bicycling conditions?</b> Get rid of the cars or at least reduce traffic—I've heard that the mayor has proposed some kind of congestion pricing for midtown and downtown Manhattan, and that's a great start.  So long as cars rule the road in the city, separated bike lanes—bike lanes that cars can't double park in or use as turn lanes—are desperately needed.  We also need wider sidewalks throughout midtown, so bike lanes don't become overflow sidewalks—the new bike lane up 8th Avenue would be great, if I could ever ride in it.			