

Traffic Safety



Traffic Bureau
Metropolitan Police

FOR CYCLISTS

Using a mobile phone or the like while operating a bicycle is now prohibited and punishable in accordance with the Road Traffic Act.



REVISED

Article 71(v)-5 of the Road Traffic Act

Effective as of November 1, 2024



While operating a motor vehicle, motorized bicycle or any other **bicycle** ("Motor vehicle or the like"), except when the one is stopped, its operator shall not use for communication a mobile phone, car phone or any other radio communication device, or look attentively at images displayed on its screen installed or brought onboard the vehicle.

POINT 1

Holding a mobile phone or the like in the hand



Operating a bicycle while using a mobile phone or the like held in the hand for communication



Operating a bicycle while looking attentively at images displayed on the screen of a mobile phone or the like held in the hand

Penalty: Imprisonment with labor of not more than six months or a fine of not more than 100,000 yen

-Article 118(1)(iv) of the Road Traffic Act-

POINT 2

Creating a danger in road traffic



Creating a danger in road traffic, including a resulting traffic accident, as a result of operating a bicycle while using a mobile phone or the like, or while looking attentively at images displayed on its screen

Penalty: Imprisonment with labor of not more than one year or a fine of not more than 300,000 yen

-Article 117-4(1)(ii) of the Road Traffic Act-

*Help prevent traffic accidents due to smart phone use while operating a bicycle.
Thank you for your support for our road safety efforts.*

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