



Opening SAFECC Message 2026

We Are Back For Another Season

We assume everyone has just about had their fill of the snow and are all excited for a new season. With that in mind, we are commencing our 2nd season of SAFECC messaging and will continue for roughly the next 8 weeks.

- We will continue using the email safecc@etobicokecycling.com for correspondence within the club on safety matters as well as engaging with any of the board members or Ride Captains
- For 2026 we have engaged with our Ride Captains to ask them what they want us to focus on and will be incorporating their thoughts in the various messages.

In 2025 we covered the following topics: [hand signals](#), [group rotation](#), [single pace line rotation](#), [climbing](#), [cornering](#), [touching elbows](#) and [crash protocol](#). We currently working on a SAFECC tab on the website where the current and prior safety messaging will be available.

We'll start the messaging light for the first communication with some repeated deficiencies from our membership on the following bike accessories required for riding with the club that we want to profile:

- **Falt tire supplies:** we are seeing riders not carrying replacement tubes, CO2 and/or pumps. If that continues, we will simply assume someone will be picking you up, as it is not the responsibilities of others to supply your tubes etc.
- **Working front and back lights:** Too many instances, especially early in the season in 2025, of riders not having working front and back lights. This is a mandatory safety requirement so get in a routine of charging your

lights after each ride, having a back up set of lights, whatever works for you. It's your responsibility, not ours

Ear Buds or Conductive Earphones

In 2025 we re-confirmed that riding with earbuds, whether in ear or conductive, are not permitted on ECC rides. This includes having them in place but not turned on.

Have your bike ready for the new season

If you are not bike maintenance savvy, our friendly bike shops are not yet that busy, but will be, so beat the rush and get the great service you deserve from **Chain Reaction** [CR website](#) or **Forza Performance** [FP website](#) who are both affiliated with the club.

If anyone has any suggestions for the 2026 program, please e-mail us at safecc@etobicokecycling.com.

Stay tuned for Week 1 of **SAFECC**: Bike Readiness

Ride Safe and Ride Longer