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DRIVER EDUCATION, TRAINING AND ROAD SAFETY

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I am a recreational cyclist riding 1-3 times per week. I have been riding for many years. I have been on cycling courses and am aware of road rules. I also hold a NSW driver's licence so I can see the driver/cyclist situation from both sides.

I believe many (if not most) drivers are not aware of the rules regarding cyclists (apart for the widely visible minimum 1 metre passing rule). In particular, the very important rule that CYCLISTS HAVE A RIGHT TO RIDE ON THE ROAD - JUST LIKE CARS.

I try not to be a road hog but sometimes there is a need for cycling in the middle of a lane and I have been abused many times by drivers telling me to get off the road. Clearly these drivers are not aware that cyclists have a right to the road - just like cars.

Regards,