

5.21 Bicycle Parking & Storage

Bicycle parking is to take place outside University of Calgary buildings unless a secure space inside a building is specifically signed and managed by Facilities Management and Development. It is to be directly accessible to the exterior. Some new buildings may have such spaces designed into them.

The University of Calgary does not support the storage of bicycles in classrooms, laboratories, offices or other interior spaces intended for academic pursuits.

The University of Calgary does not support the securing of bicycles to trees, guards, lighting standards, signs or University building elements.

5.21.1 General Siting

Various factors should be considered when determining the location(s) of bicycle parking:

1. Bicycle rack locations and secure bicycle parking locations will be sited by the Office of the University Architect with cyclists. Cyclists will be engaged through campus cycling clubs and/or cyclist advocacy groups. Locations of such facilities will be informed by both the current University of Calgary Campus Master Plan, the Landscape Master Plan and the Institutional Sustainability Plan.
2. Secure bicycle parking will be sited by the Office of the University Architect to support known commuter cyclist traffic patterns as well as known on-site cyclist routes. Cyclists will be consulted in the determination of these locations.

5.21.2 Products

1. U of C standard bicycle rack:
 - a. Dero Downtown Rack: steel square tube, with Iron Gray or Flat Black powder coat finish
 - b. In-ground or surface mount. Rail mount is not permitted.
2. The use of other colours, finishes, or different products will require the approval of the Office of the University Architect.

5.21.3 Types of Bicycle Parking

The University of Calgary provides exterior bicycle racks at a number of convenient locations across campus and is committed to ensure there are an adequate number of these. Cyclists are to secure their bicycles with their own personal locks to these racks at their own risk. These racks will be thoughtfully placed to allow for passive supervision of locked bicycles from passers by as well as nearby building occupants.

The University of Calgary will endeavour to offer some secure covered bicycle parking in appropriate locations as the funds become available. Such secure covered parking will be managed by Parking Services and have an associated fee to offset the cost of the space's construction and ongoing operation.

1. **Exterior Bicycle Racks:**

- a. Bicycle racks are to be located in well-lit locations proximate to building entries or along well-travelled routes, in locations that will not impede public pedestrian circulation. Locations that allow casual supervision from building occupants and passers-by are preferred.
- b. Bicycle racks that are partially sheltered from rain and snow by a building overhang or soffit are appreciated and will be particularly well used.
- c. Locate bicycle racks such that bicycles fastened to them have 0.6 meters clearance from nearby walls or barriers and 0.9 meters from any curbs.

2. Secure Covered Bicycle Parking:

- a. Types of secure covered bicycle parking include unheated caged areas in parking structures, unheated covered exterior areas up against building walls, locked unheated rooms at building perimeters accessible from a bike path and secure exterior bike locker boxes.
- b. Bicycle caged areas most are expensive when they require a custom roof overtop, whether it be free-standing or supported in part by an existing building. The least expensive caged areas are set in dedicated parking stalls of an open car parking structure at grade level.
- c. New buildings occasionally offer us the opportunity to build a dedicated secure bike storage room off the exterior of the building. When they do the Office of the University Architect will ensure this is pursued. Expanding on this theme, the OUA will keep an eye on opportunities for such spaces in existing buildings as they are undergoing renovation as well.
- d. Due to the relatively high cost per bicycle of bike locker boxes as well as the associated snow removal and maintenance requirements associated with these units, when locker boxes are used on campus they will be located in low to moderate demand areas and will have the highest associated user fees.
- e. Access to secure covered bicycle parking will be managed by University of Calgary Parking and Transportation Services. They will offer online followed by in-person registration so that the OneCard offers swipe access to paid secure bicycle parking.
- f. Security measures in secure covered bicycle parking will include tamper-proof lighting, secure fencing, adequate door hardware, a second door from restricted access facilities (escape route) and in some cases it *may* include a security camera. Cyclists are to secure their bicycles with their own personal locks to these racks at their own risk.

5.21.4 End of Trip Facilities for Cyclists

1. Showers
2. Lockers
3. Change Facilities
4. Access
5. Security

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