

# Austin Police Department Pedicab Rules

## Operation Within 6th St. Barricaded Area

These are the rules for pedicabs to operate inside the barricaded area known as the “6<sup>th</sup> Street Entertainment District” between the 200 block and the 700 block of E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, and all cross streets in this block range between E.5<sup>th</sup> and E.7<sup>th</sup> Streets. For the purpose of these rules, this area shall be referred to as the “6<sup>th</sup> Street Entertainment District.” This authority is intended to apply during temporary street closures due to overcrowding by pedestrians that typically occur on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday and occasionally on other nights during the week. The authority to operate within these areas will be limited to the conditions herein and will be strictly enforced. This document shall serve as notice of the rules to operate within this area. Failure of individuals to abide by these terms may result in temporary or permanent suspension to operate within the APD barricades. These terms shall only apply during the time that the barricades are in place.

The Austin Police Department retains the right and authority to suspend the operation of pedicabs within the “6<sup>th</sup> Street Entertainment District” during special events such as, but not limited to, Mardi-Gras, Halloween, New Year’s Eve, Texas Relays or the Republic of Texas Rally, aka ROT Rally.

The following are the terms for the operation of pedicabs within the APD barricaded area of the “6<sup>th</sup> Street Entertainment District.” Any privilege that is not specifically addressed within this document is forbidden within the APD barricades.

1. Pedestrians will have right of way, and pedicabs will yield to all pedestrians at all times.
2. Pedicabs may not operate at a speed greater than an ordinary walk when approaching pedestrian traffic anywhere inside the barricaded zone. Pedicabs crossing sidewalks at alley entrances and exits must yield to pedestrians on the sidewalk.
3. While inside the barricaded area, pedicabs will yield right of way to all emergency vehicles at all times.
4. While inside the barricaded area the use of sidewalks is strictly forbidden.
5. Pedicabs will operate in the same manner as taxi cabs in regard to customer pick-ups. The pedicabs will line up in a single-file manner in a first-come-first-serve manner in the allotted areas indicated on the attached map (see below). Pedicab operators will not accept a customer if they are not at the front of the line and will refer that customer to the front of the line. Pedicab customers will hire the first

pedicab in the front of the line, and the remaining pedicabs will move forward to fill the void.

At all pedicab staging areas:

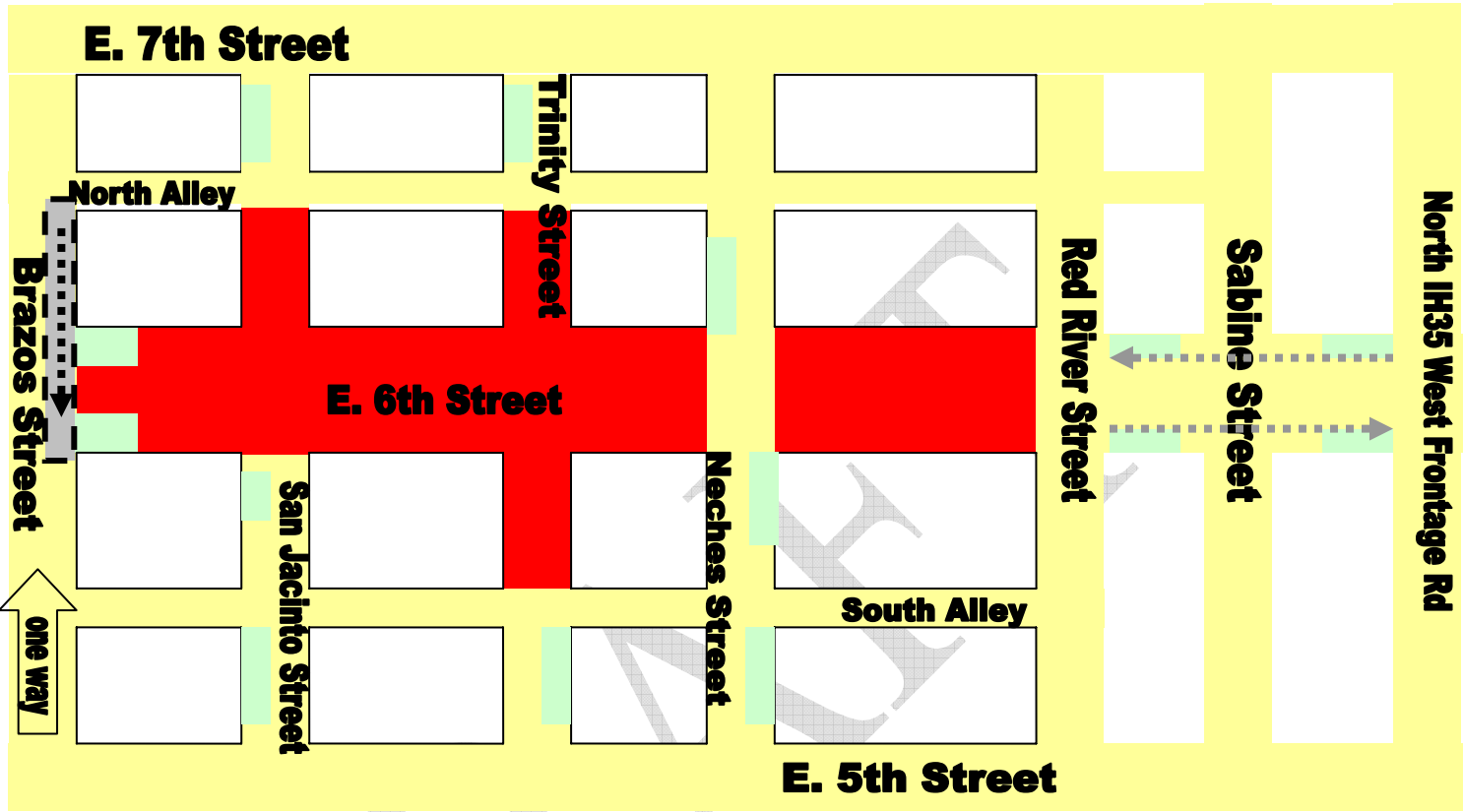
6. Pedicabs will not stage in a way that impedes a pedestrian crossing.
7. Pedicabs will not stage within an intersection.
8. Pedicabs will not ride against the normal flow of traffic, unless specifically allowed within these rules.
9. Pedicabs are not allowed to use any portion of 6<sup>th</sup> St. for transport between Brazos and Red River.
10. Pedicabs will not operate or stage within the barricaded area except for these listed locations:

- North and South alleys of E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street from Sabine Street to Brazos Street
  - Pedicabs will be allowed to utilize the north and south alleys of E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street from Sabine Street to Brazos Street. In both the alleyways pedicabs will be allowed to travel both east and west bound regardless of the normal regulated direction of travel.
  
- 6<sup>th</sup> Street/Brazos Street
  - Pedicabs are allowed to form two (2) lines of eight (8) pedicabs in the outside two lanes of E.6th Street at Brazos (200 blk. of E.6th Street) Pedicabs will not ride east of the first parking stall in the 200blk of E6th Street.
  - The pedicabs will face west-bound in the direction of regular vehicular traffic.
  - Pedicabs will enter and leave this staging area only from Brazos Street
  - For the purpose of these rules, pedicabs will be allowed to enter against the normal flow of traffic on E.6th Street only to allow them to go to the back of the staging area. All other traffic laws and ordinances will be adhered to.
  
- 6<sup>th</sup> Street/San Jacinto Street
  - Pedicabs will be allowed to traverse E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street in the 500 block of San Jacinto Street.
  - Pedicabs will be allowed to travel both north and south-bound inside the barricades on San Jacinto, but they will not be allowed north of the north alley.
  - A maximum of three (3) pedicabs may stage in a single-file line on the west curb line in the 500 block of San Jacinto Street, facing E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - Additional pedicabs may stage in a single-file line south of the south alley in the 500 block of San Jacinto Street and may move up to stage at E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street when a spot becomes available.
  - While staging at the south alley of San Jacinto Street, the first pedicab is available for hire.

- Pedicabs will be allowed north and south bound passage across E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street to and from the north alley in the 600 block of San Jacinto Street to the 500 block of San Jacinto Street. There will be no standing, parking or stopping, except to permit vehicular and pedestrian traffic to pass safely. There will be no picking up or dropping off of passengers in the 600 block of San Jacinto Street. Use of this area may be suspended during special events if it is in the best interest of public safety. The closing of this passage will be signified with a line of traffic cones south of the north alley.
- 500 block and 600 block of Trinity
  - A maximum of five (5) pedicabs may be staged in a single-file line south of the south alley in the 500 block of Trinity on the east curb line.
  - A maximum of five (5) pedicabs may be staged in a single-file line north of the north alley in the 600 block of Trinity on the west curb line.
  - Pedicabs will not enter the area between the north and south alleys in the 500 and 600 blocks of Trinity Street.
- E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street/Neches Street
  - A maximum of four (4) pedicabs may stage in a single-file line on the east curb line in the 500 block of Neches Street, facing E 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Additional pedicabs may stage in a single-file line south of the south alley in the 500 blk. of Neches Street and may move up to stage at E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street when a spot becomes available. While staging at the south alley, the first pedicab is available for hire.
  - A maximum of four (4) pedicabs may stage in a single-file line on the west curb line in the 600 block of Neches Street, facing E 6<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - Additional pedicabs may stage in a single-file line north of the north alley in the 600 block of Neches Street and may move up to stage at E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street when a spot becomes available. While staging at the north alley, the first pedicab is available for hire.
  - Pedicabs will be allowed to cross both north-bound and south-bound on Neches Street at E.6<sup>th</sup> Street, but may not stop in the intersection.
- 600-700 blocks of E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street
  - Pedicabs will be allowed to travel west and eastbound on 6<sup>th</sup> St. between I-35 and Red River.
  - While operating in this area, pedicabs will ride to the far right side of the roadway in order to avoid other pedicabs coming from the opposite direction.
  - Pedicabs will only stage at designated locations within this block range.

- E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street at Red River (600 block of E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street)
  - Pedicabs are allowed to form two (2) lines in the outside two lanes of the 600 block of E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street at Red River. The pedicabs will stage facing west bound. These two lines will not be more than five (5) pedicabs long (10 total pedicabs at this location) and will not extend beyond the first parking stall from Red River.
  
- E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street/Sabine Street
  - Pedicabs are allowed to cross or enter E 6<sup>th</sup> Street at Sabine, but may not stop in the intersection or stage in this location. Sabine is north-bound only, and pedicabs will not travel south bound on Sabine Street.
  
- E. 6th Street/North IH35 West Frontage Road (700 block E. 6th Street)
  - Pedicabs are allowed to form two (2) lines in the outside two lanes of the 700 block of E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street at North IH35 West Frontage Road. The pedicabs will stage facing west bound. These two lines will not be more than five (5) pedicabs long (10 total pedicabs at this location) and will not extend beyond the first parking stall on the north curb line from North IH35 West Frontage Rd.

Any pedicab operating or staging outside the scope of these rules will result in the driver receiving a citation for violation of a city ordinance.



Travel routes

Restricted area

Staging areas

New route