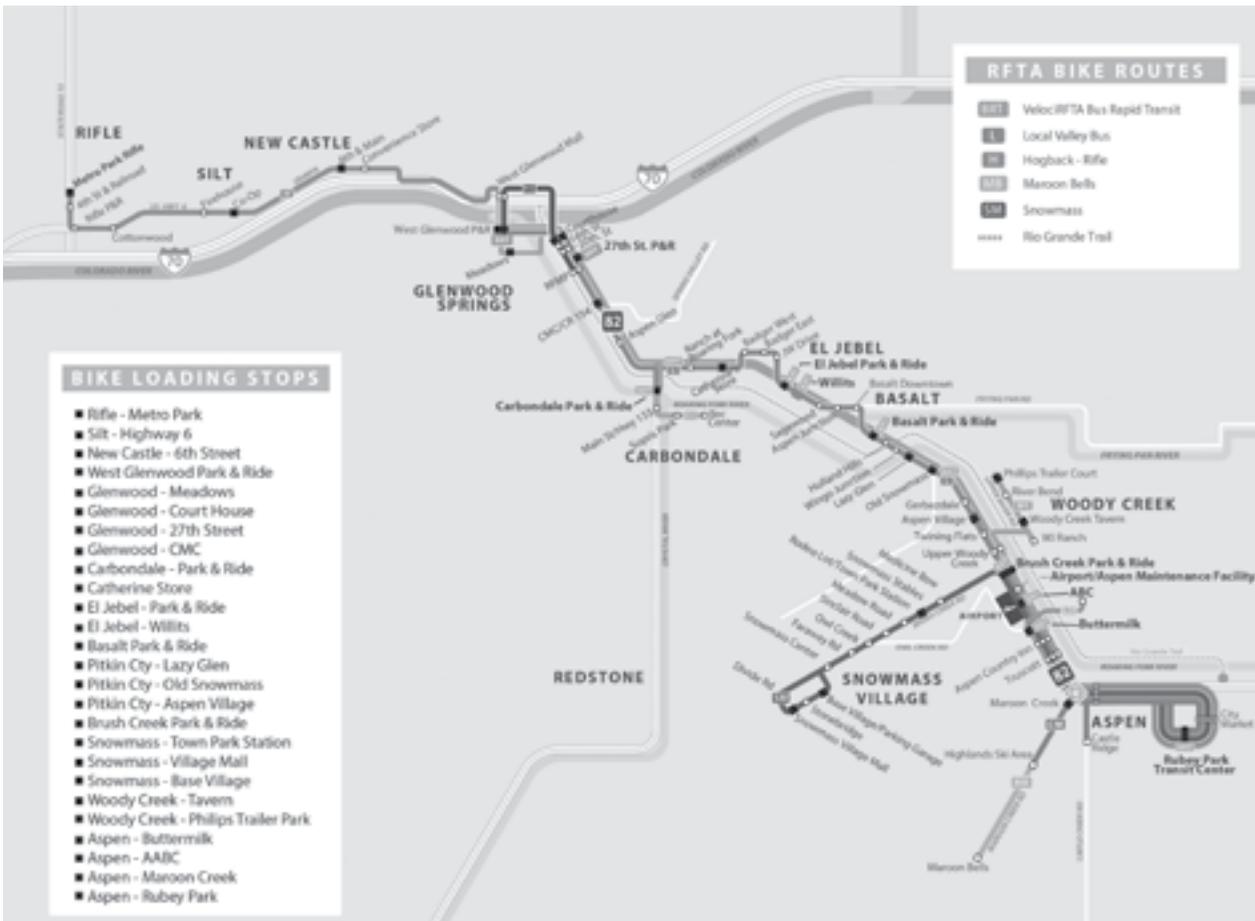


BIKE LOADING STOPS



Bike loading and unloading is limited to the designated RFTA stops listed above. This is to ensure the safest and easiest transition for passengers, surrounding traffic and bus operators.

BIKE LOADING FEE

There is a \$2.00 per bike user fee (exact fare only - no change can be given), regardless of distance traveled, in addition to the regular passenger fare. Stored Value Tickets may be used for payment. **Season Pass and Monthly Pass holders must also pay the \$2.00 fee.**

**PLEASE NOTE:
RFTA is not responsible for bikes placed on racks.**

Bike Loading Hours
Bike tires and spokes block headlights. Therefore, bikes will be allowed to be loaded onto buses only during the following hours.

- From Mid-April through Labor Day:
6:00am to 7:30pm
- From the day after Labor Day through the last Saturday in October: 7:00am to 6:00pm
- From the last Sunday in October through Mid-November: 7:00am to 4:30pm

**NO bike loading during the Winter Season:
Late November to Early April**

BIKE-N-RIDE TIPS

Tips to consider when loading bikes on RFTA bicycle racks:

- **Full Rack:** If the rack is full, please wait for the next bus.
- **Loading:** You are responsible for loading, securing, and unloading your bicycle from the rack.
- **Alert Bus Driver:** Direct the driver's attention before you load or unload your bike to make sure no one is harmed.
- **Traffic:** Do not step into traffic while loading or unloading your bike. Load your bike from the curb. Also, do not cross the street in front of the bus – passing traffic cannot see you coming around the bus.
- **Children:** Only people capable of loading and unloading their own bikes will be allowed to use the bike racks, unless accompanied by an adult who is capable of assisting. The driver is not in a position to assist.
- **Rack Ready Bike:** Before the bus arrives, prepare your bike for loading by removing water bottles, pumps, baskets, or any loose items that might fall off.
- **Not Allowed:** All classes of E-Bikes, Fat Bikes, Bicycles with child carriers or panniers, Bike trailers or Burleys, and Xtra-cycle cargo bikes are not allowed to be loaded as they are too heavy and bulky for the racks
- **Do not lock your bike to the rack.**
- **Exiting:** Use the front door when leaving the bus and notify the driver that you will be unloading your bicycle.
- **Empty Rack:** Move the empty rack into the upright position.
- **Problems:** If you notice any problems with a rack, alert the bus driver and wait for the next bus—it's best for everyone's safety and the safety of your bike.
- **No Bikes Allowed inside of Bus.**



BIKES ON BUSES



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The Roaring Fork Transportation Authority provides bicycle racks on its valley fleet, allowing cyclists to ride the bus with their bikes between Aspen and Rifle, and points in between.

If you're a cyclist, please take time to read throughout this brochure. Even if you've been using the rack system for years, you'll probably find some new information.

**FOR INFORMATION CALL (970) 925-8484
WWW.RFTA.COM**

PREGUNTAS: Para información de horarios o preguntas en Español favor de llamar al (970) 384-4995.

HOW TO LOAD YOUR BIKE

BEFORE LOADING YOUR BIKE → TWO DIFFERENT SCENARIOS → 2-3 CAPACITY BIKE RACK — or — 4 CAPACITY BIKE RACK

There is an optimal way to load your bike on RFTA racks. Correct loading is key to your safety, the safety of your bicycle, and the safety of others using the road.

Prepare your bike for loading: Remove water bottles, pumps and other loose items that could fall off while the bus is in motion.

NOT ALLOWED FOR BIKE LOADING:

All classes of E-Bikes, Fat Bikes, Bicycles with child carriers or panniers, Bike trailers or Burleys, and Xtra-cycle cargo bikes are not allowed to be loaded as they are too heavy and bulky for the racks.

NO BIKES ALLOWED INSIDE OF BUS.

FIRST-COME FIRST-SERVED

Bike loading is a first-come, first-served system, except at the Brush Creek Road and Highway 82 Intercept Lot where transferring passengers have priority. If the racks are full, you will need to lock up your bike at the stop, pedal to your destination, or wait for the next bus.



BICYCLE PARKING

- Bicycle parking is available at many of RFTA's bus stops including: Rubey Park Transit Center, Brush Creek Intercept Lot, Aspen Village, Old Snowmass, Basalt Park & Ride, El Jebel Park & Ride, Carbondale Park & Ride, Glenwood 27th Street Station, and the West Glenwood Park & Ride.
- It's a good idea to have a bike lock with you, in case the rack on the bus is full.

All of RFTA's valley buses have front-load racks.

There are three different kinds of bike racks on RFTA buses. Racks that hold triple and double bikes and racks that hold four bikes. They differ by the way the bikes rest on the arms.

Bikes on the **two/three capacity racks** are lifted and placed into wheel slots. Bikes on the **four capacity racks** are hung from support arm of the rack that sticks out from the bus.

2-3 CAPACITY BIKE RACK

Most of RFTA's newer buses are equipped with bike racks on the front that can hold two/three bikes. **You will notice it is a two/three capacity bike rack because there will be empty wheel wells where you lift and place your bicycle wheels.**



Wait for the bus to come to a complete stop, approach the front of the bus, squeeze the handle to unlock and lower the rack.



Lift your bike onto the bike rack, fitting wheels into proper wheel slots.

The front wheel slot is clearly labeled.



Raise the support arm over the front tire. Many bikes will sit in the wheel well without the use of the support arm, but the rack must not be used without the support arm.

TIP: Bikes with especially thin rims and tires will sway back and forth without its use. The Support Arm needs to be raised so that the hook rests beyond the highest point of the tire closest to the frame.

UNLOADING YOUR BIKE:

Inform your driver that you will be unloading and safely remove your bike from the rack. Please return the bike rack to its original position if empty.

4 CAPACITY BIKE RACK

Some of RFTA's older buses are equipped with bike racks on the front that can hold four bikes. **You will notice it is a four capacity bike rack because there will be two sets of bars in which to rest the four bikes on, two bikes on each side.**



Push up on both knobs to release the hooks and fold them out.



Unwrap the velcro strap. Lift your bike on the rack.



Bring the strap directly to your bike, not over the top of the rack and wrap around your bike.

TIP: If there are several riders loading at the same stop, find out who's getting off first, and load their bicycle on the outside. That way they won't have to remove your bike to unload their own.