

Safety Tips

When in Rome, do what the Romans do..



You are expected to follow these stringent rules when riding a Moped or Motorcycle in Rome:

- Pass cars on the left, when they are not moving in traffic.
- Pass cars on the right, when they are not moving in traffic.
- Pass cars, buses, and trucks in between the two lanes of traffic when it is not moving.
- Weave in between buses, cars and trucks, to move to the front of the traffic.
- Ride in the opposing lane of traffic in order to pass the stopped traffic.
- Ride up the shoulder of the road to get to the front of the traffic.
- Ride up on sidewalks when necessary to avoid traffic.
- Take your dog with you while you are traveling 40 mph.
- As a pedestrian crossing the street, you are expected to move out of the way of an oncoming moped as fast as you can.
- Keep up with your social life and talk on a cell phone at night while maintaining a speed of 50 kilometers per hour.
- Ride side saddle when wearing a dress.
- Park anywhere you want to, and leave no room for the other guy to get out.
- Run every red light when possible.
- Never, ever use your horn!
- Last but not least, when you get hit by a car on a Moped, just yell at the car driver, flick them off and drive away.

When a light turns red in Rome, there may be just one or two mopeds there. By the time the light turns green, there are ten to fifteen up front at the light.

Not following these riding tips when in Rome may be hazardous to your health.

These were my observations while walking and riding a bus during my time in Rome.

They broke all safety rules and even some safety rules that have not been thought of yet.