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## Biking In the Rain: Gear, Tips, and Gentle Encouragement

*A beginner's guide to riding in the rain – arrive at your destination safe, dry, and happy.*

### Rain Gear for Biking

Okay, let's be clear, the single most important piece of gear you need for riding in the rain is a good set of lights. Everything else is secondary. Beyond that, I would definitely get a good waterproof jacket and some warm, waterproof gloves, and install some fenders so you don't turn your spinal column into a dirt road. Everything else follows by point of preference on whichever body part you'd most like to keep dry.

But let's assume for a moment that it's pouring buckets and you're en route to a party in your favorite crepe paper tuxedo. Here's what you're going to need to arrive with that thing in one piece:

### Waterproof Panniers, Backpacks, and Bags

It's all well and good if you arrive at your destination dry, but the enthusiasm will be short-lived when you realize you've put your laptop through nature's wash cycle. So whether your preference is panniers, backpacks, or messenger bags, finding one that's waterproof is key.

**Ortlieb, Vaude, Detours, Banjo Bros, Altura, Green Guru, Novara, Chrome Industries, Thule, Rickshaw, Timbuk2, Two Wheel Gear, and Swift Industries** all make waterproof panniers, and you can similarly find waterproof backpacks and messenger bags at **Osprey** and Mission Workshop, as well as most of the brands listed above.