



The racing at the Kentucky Speedway in Gallatin County has always been exciting, but this year it will be even better as NASCAR brings its top-level Sprint Cup Series to the track. Racing fans from around the country will descend upon the Commonwealth, where they'll find warm hospitality and lots of exciting opportunities to have fun.

From bourbon to basketball, the Kentucky Derby to Kentucky State Parks, natives and newcomers alike will find something worth doing. To catch our Unbridled Spirit, visit KentuckyTourism.com.



The Safety Assistance for Freeway Emergencies (SAFE) Patrol is a program designed to aid motorists and assist with incident management.

SAFE Patrol operators patrol an assigned interstate or parkway. To assist motorists, they can provide gasoline and oil, add air to tires, change flat tires, provide a "jump" for dead batteries, and perform other minor automotive repairs.

Operators also work to prevent traffic crashes by removing debris from the roadway and tagging abandoned cars. SAFE Patrol operators are trained in traffic management and at the scene of a crash can, if necessary, render CPR and first aid, while message boards on top of the vehicle provide instructions to motorists during an incident.

To request SAFE Patrol call the Highway Hazard Hotline at 1-877-FOR-KYTC (1-877-367-5982)

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# OFFICIAL HIGHWAY MAP KENTUCKY



## KENTUCKY RACING

More than horses race in Kentucky! Our state also owns a rich motorsports tradition built by our many asphalt and dirt tracks along with motocross. Kentucky has long set the pace in stock car racing with deep roots ranging from the mountains of the east to western Kentucky, home to many of the sport's legends. On July 9, 2011, the Kentucky tradition roars to new heights when the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series takes the green flag for the first time in Sparta, Kentucky.



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# KENTUCKY'S CIVIL WAR

## 150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY




Kentucky lay geographically and ideologically between North and South, between enslavement and freedom; in essence, between the war itself. At the crossroads of the conflict, Kentucky was also at a singular moment in history: two presidents, both from Kentucky, served in the nation's highest office - one for the Union, one for the Confederacy. Kentucky at first attempted to remain neutral, but was soon drawn into the conflict as both sides recognized the Commonwealth's strategic importance.

The state government in Frankfort remained loyal to the Union, but delegates to a convention in Russellville declared Kentucky's secession from the Union and formed a Confederate government for the state. So, by the autumn of 1861 Kentucky had a star in both flags.

And Kentucky had soldiers in both armies. Estimates of the numbers of Kentuckians who enlisted vary greatly, but perhaps 40,000 joined the Confederate Army and about 100,000 joined the Union Army. Some 30,000 Kentuckians lost their lives.

Numerous gunshots were fired in Kentucky during the four years of the Civil War. Especially tragic was the guerilla warfare that pitted neighbor against neighbor. Battles, skirmishes, raids, and other episodes of fighting occurred all across the state - from Perryville to Frankfort; Paducah to Ivy Mountain; Mill Springs to Munfordville; Richmond to Sacramento; Tebb's Bend to Wildcat Mountain. The Kentucky Civil War Sites Association ([www.kycivilwarites.org](http://www.kycivilwarites.org)) preserves those many blood-stained fields and interprets them to new generations of Americans.

Look for this symbol  on the map to locate some of Kentucky's most significant Civil War sites.



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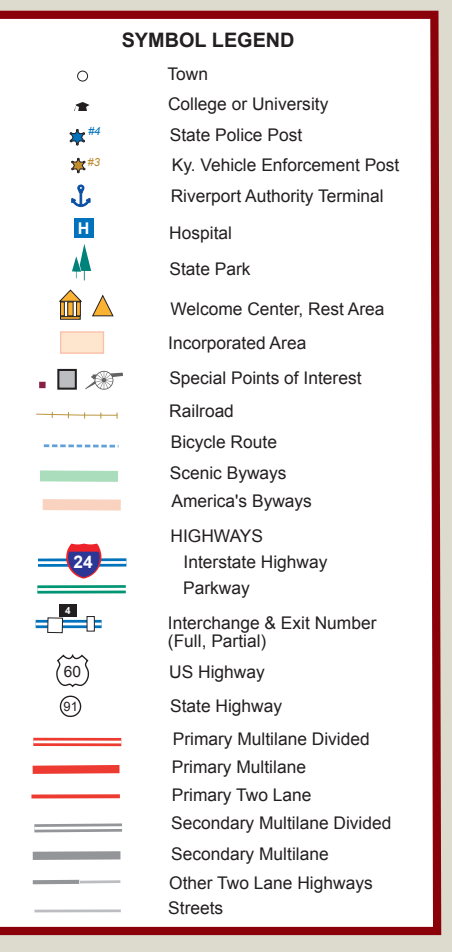
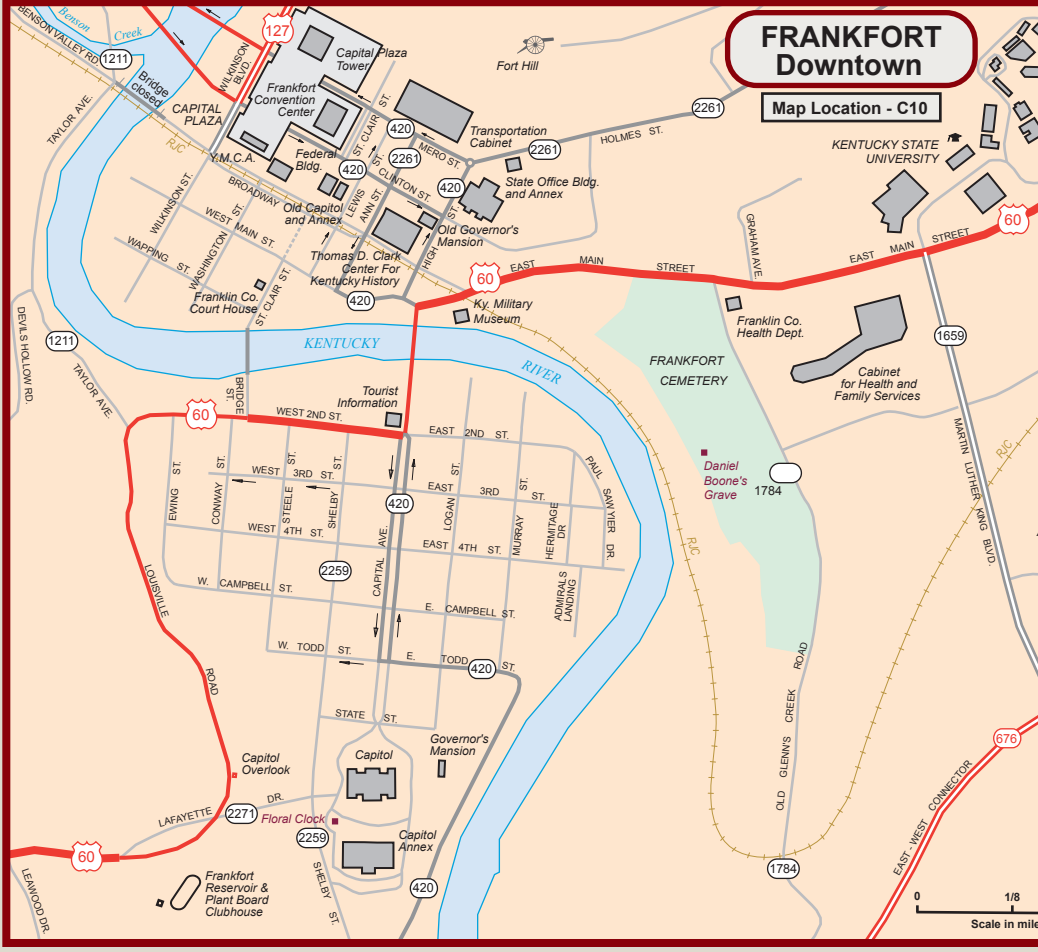
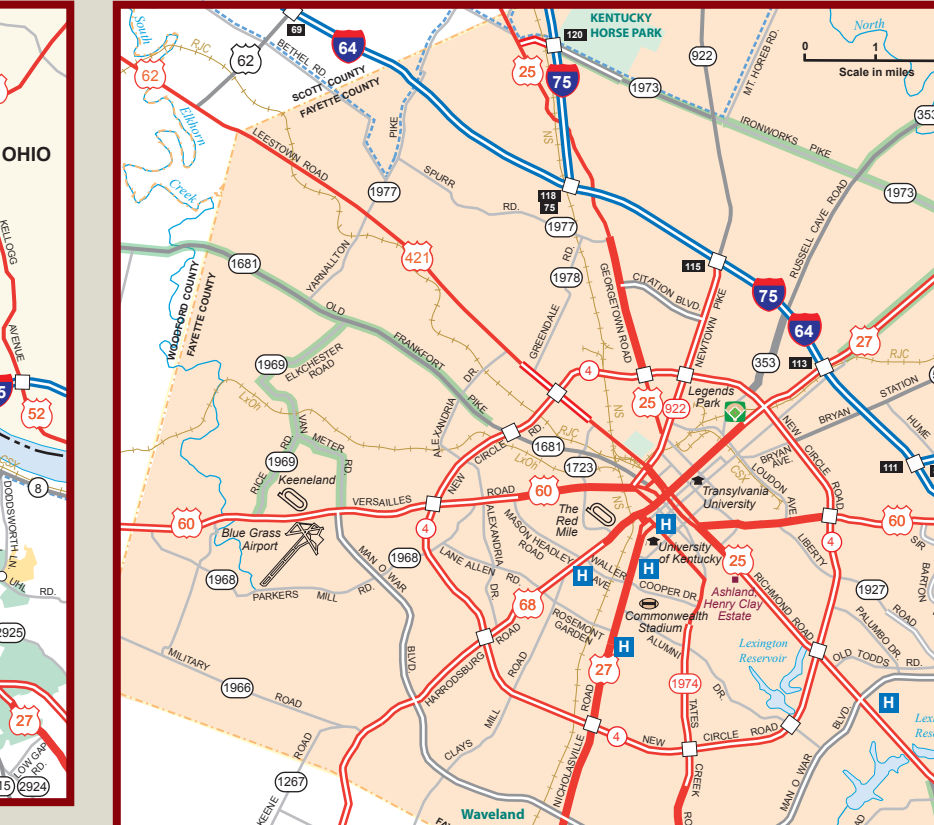
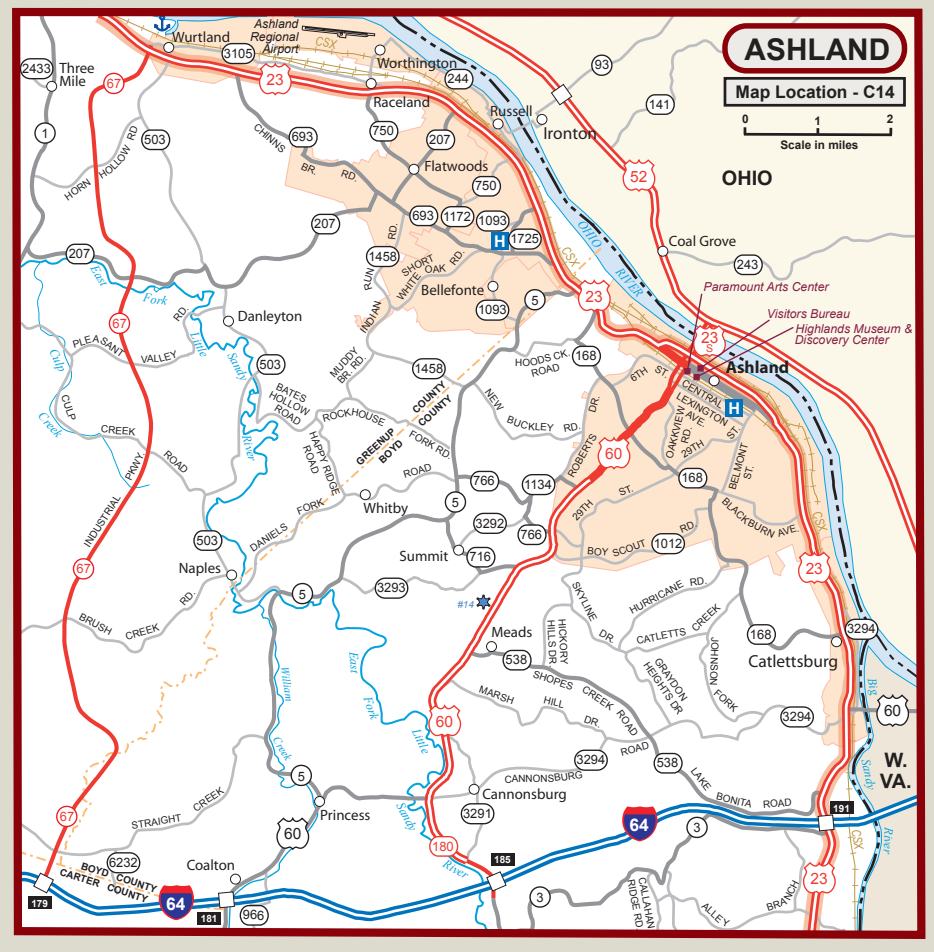
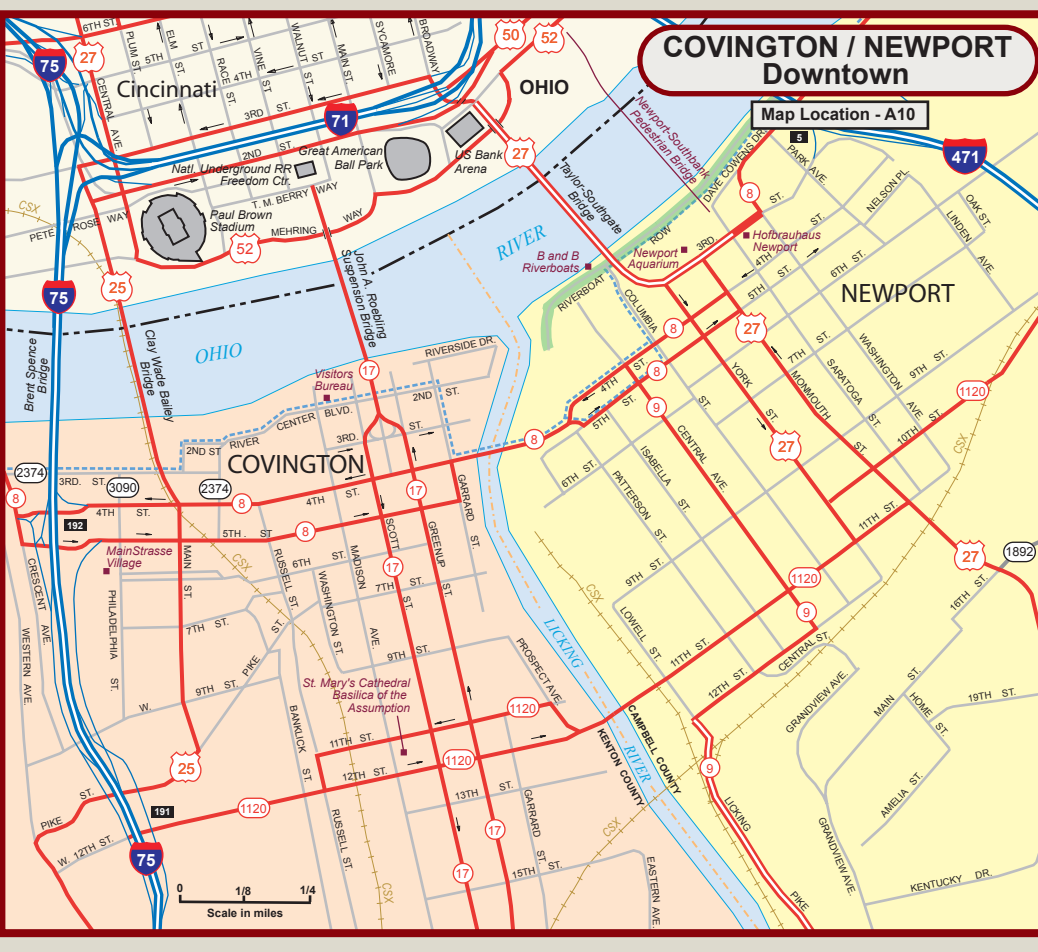
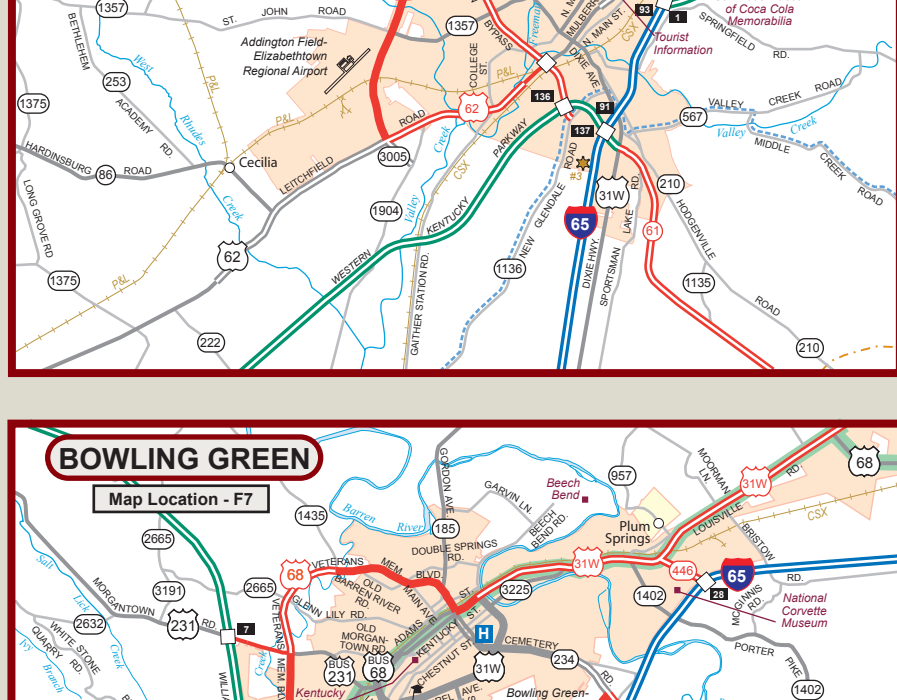
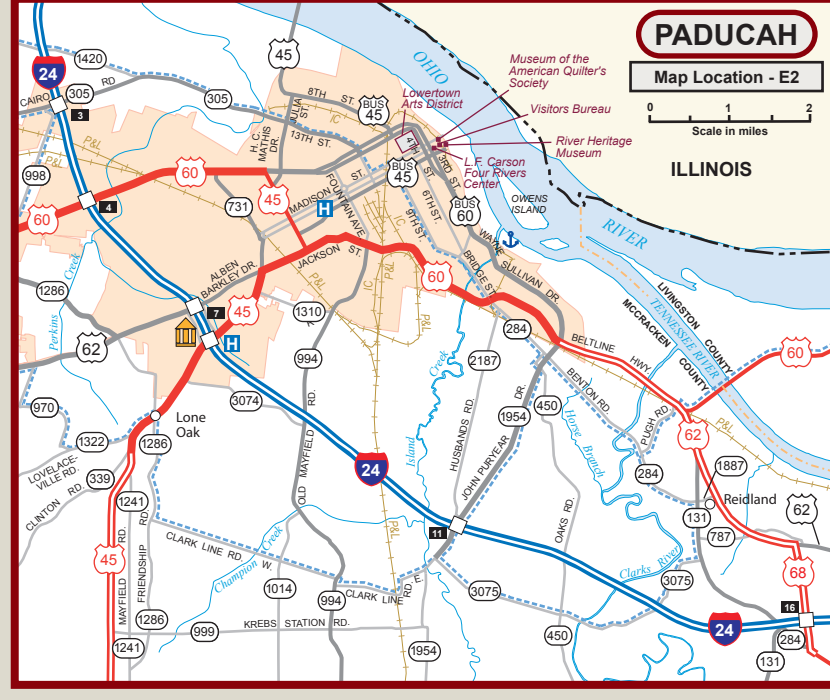
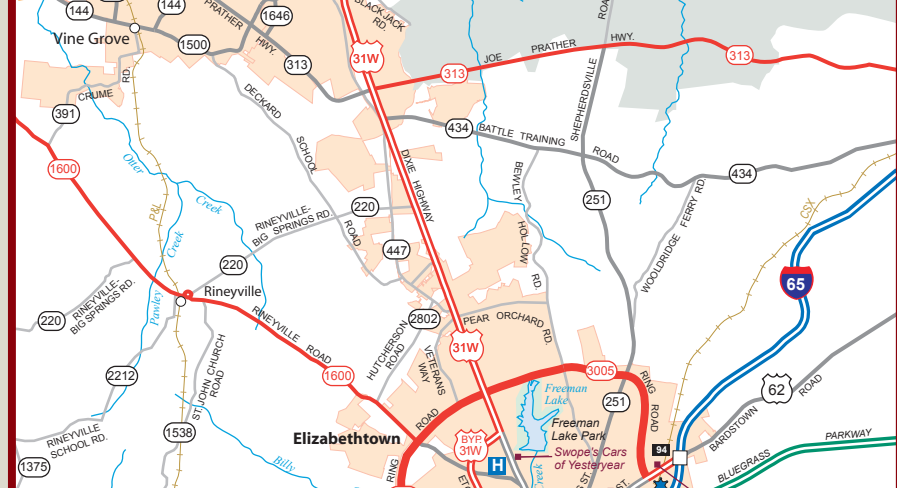
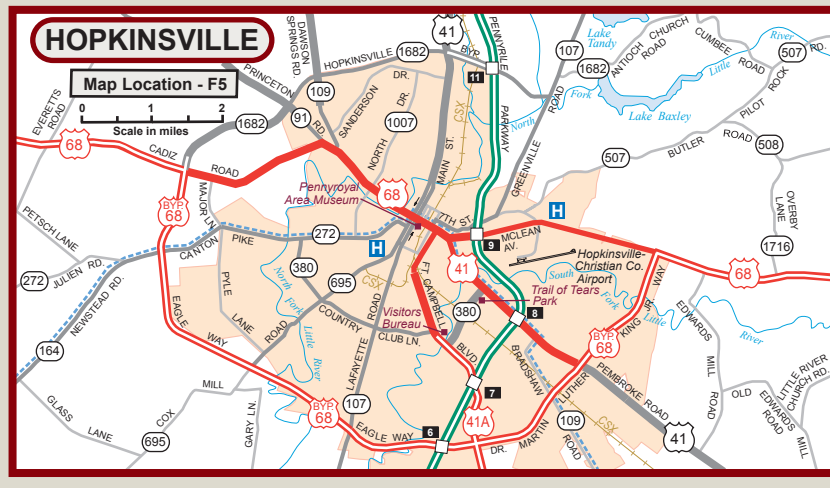
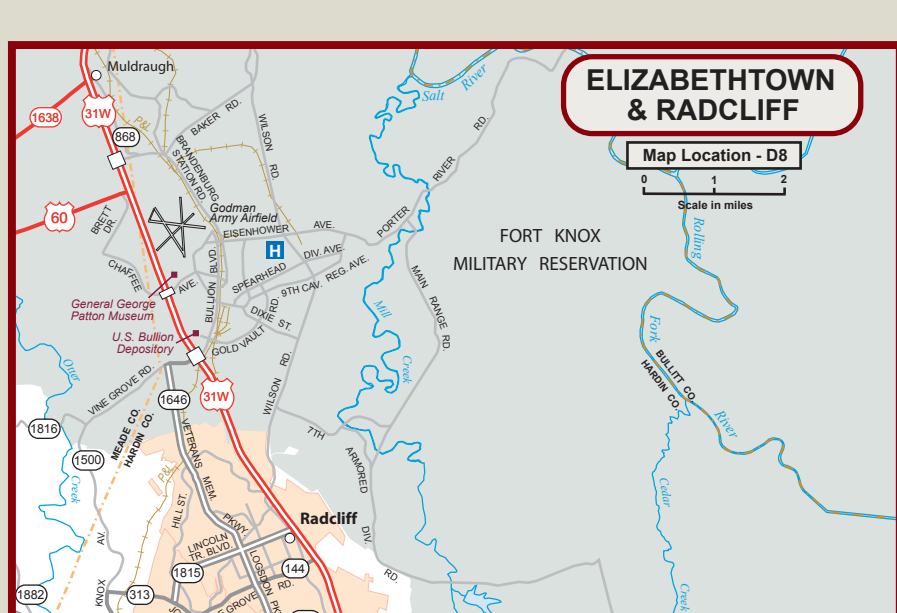
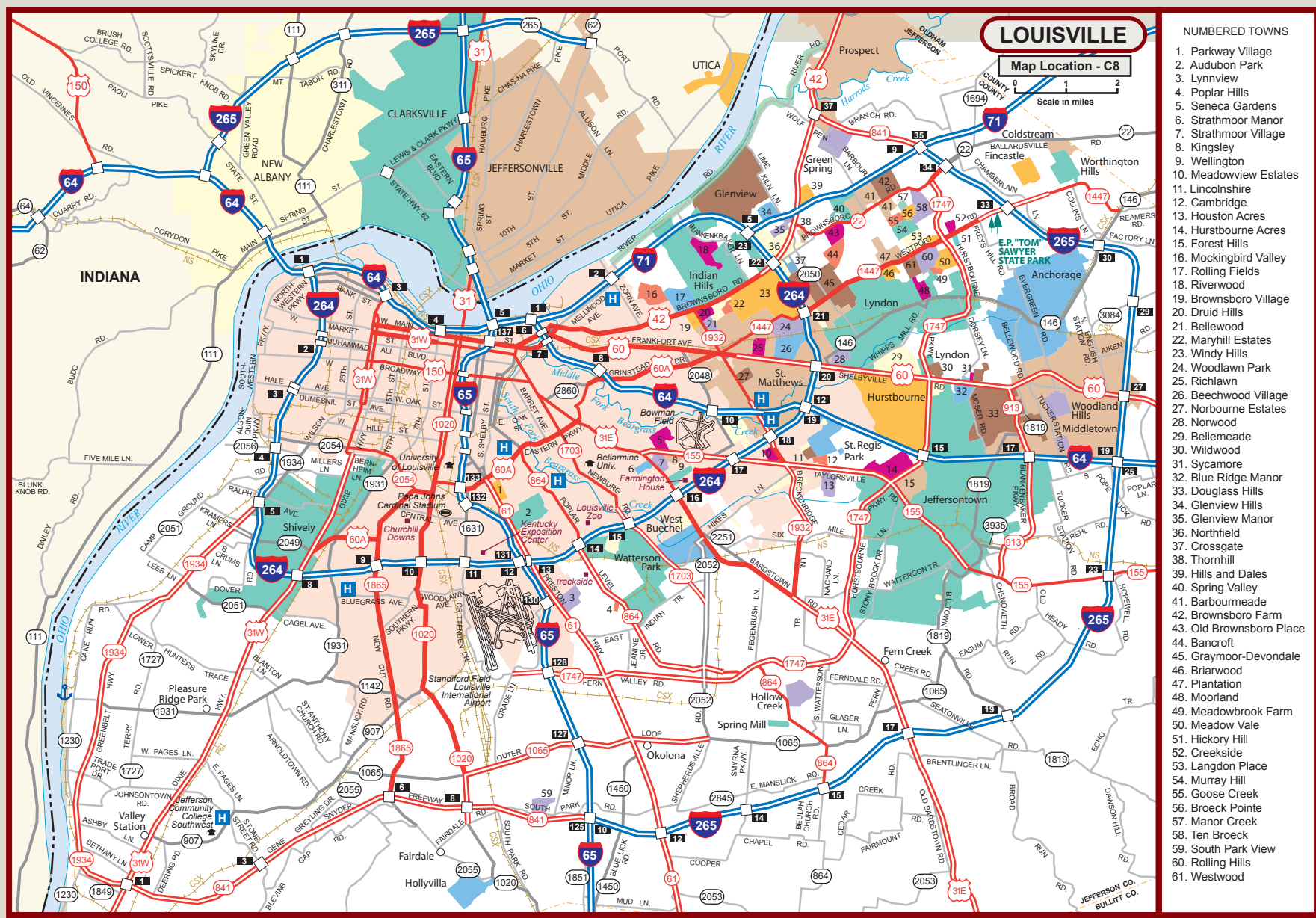
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### Sharing the Road

#### BICYCLISTS

- Bicyclists and motorists have the same rights, rules and responsibilities on all Kentucky roads.
- Ride a bicycle in the same direction as vehicle traffic - in the right side of the lane. Use extreme caution when changing lanes.
- Wearing a bicycle helmet is strongly recommended.
- Obey traffic signals and signs. Stop at stop signs and lights just like a motor vehicle.
- Use hand signals to communicate intended actions to motor vehicles.
- At night, a bike must have a white light visible from the front and a red reflector or light visible from the rear. Reflector tape may be used for added visibility. Wear light colored clothing.
- Yield to pedestrians in crosswalks. Give an audible warning (bell, horn, or voice) before passing pedestrians, especially on a shared use path. Never park a bicycle on a sidewalk to obstruct pedestrian traffic.

#### MOTORISTS

- Pass a cyclist only when it is safe. Allow at least 3 feet between your car and the cyclist; be sure there is no oncoming traffic.
- Bicyclists may take the center position in the lane when hazards, road width, or traffic speed cause a change.
- Yield to pedestrians in a crosswalk.
- When opening the door of your parked car, check for cyclists.
- Watch for bicyclists. Because of their narrow profile you will need to develop your eye-scanning patterns to include cyclists.
- Do not be a litterbug. Keep our roadways clean for everyone.
- Do not honk your horn when approaching bicyclists. You can startle the cyclist and cause a crash.




#### SPEED LIMIT

70 mph on rural sections of Kentucky's interstates and on most parkways. Other roads 55 m.p.h. or as posted.

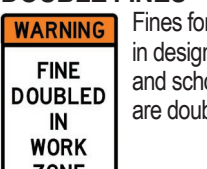
#### SEAT BELTS

Kentucky has a mandatory seat belt law, so please buckle up!




#### DOUBLE FINES


Fines for speeding and school zones are doubled.



#### NO TEXTING WHILE DRIVING

Stay Alert! Don't Text and Drive. It's the Law.





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