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**Accessibility of bicycles on public transport
requires a shock in terms of supply and simplification**

The « Mon vélo dans le train » (My bike on the train) collective, which brings together 12 organizations promoting cycling and trains, has published a White Paper on the mismatch between cyclists' needs and the availability of bikes on french trains.

Whether you're heading out on a hike with a bike loaded with luggage, or making the last kilometer of a local journey, putting your bike on public transport is the obvious low-carbon alternative to all-car mobility. But it has to be possible and easy.

Comparisons with other European countries, particularly Central Europe, show that France is lagging far behind in this respect. Despite some positive developments, the lack of space on board trains, unsuitable ticketing systems and compulsory reservations are all obstacles to train + bike mobility, which should be the cornerstone of our travel evolution.

Drawing on the experience of its many members, the “Mon Vélo Dans Le Train” collective has put together a “white paper” setting out its assessment of the situation in France, the possibilities that exist in neighboring countries, and its concrete demands for bringing French public transport up to standard: a shock in terms of supply (more bicycle spaces and more trains), and a shock in terms of simplification (ticketing and access to trains at stations) are essential.

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