

Experiences with bicycle parking standards in Copenhagen



Agenda

- Background
- Best practice for bicycle parking in new buildings
- Experiences from Copenhagen

Background

- The City of Copenhagen is working to secure its status as one of the world's best cycling cities. An essential part of this is to improve the bicycle parking facilities.
- As part of the work to improve the bicycle parking facilities, Gehl has assisted the City of Copenhagen with the following:
 - 1) Collecting examples of best practice for bicycle parking in new buildings (national and international)
 - 2) Evaluated the bicycle parking at 10 new buildings in Copenhagen
 - 3) Assessed how the current standards for bicycle parking work

Standards for bicycle parking

Function	Norm	Cargo bike norm	Cover
Housing	4 pr. 100 m ²	1 pr. 500 m ²	-
Student housing	4 pr. 100 m ²	1 pr. 500 m ²	Min 50%
Daycare	2,5 pr. 100 m ²	2 pr. 500 m ²	Min 50%
Workplace	4 pr. 100 m ²	1 pr. 500 m ²	Min 25%
Education/schools	0,5 pr. student and employee		Min 50%
Shops	4 pr. 100 m ²	1 pr. 500 m ²	Min 50%

Best practice for bicycle parking in new buildings

1. Parking is integrated in the building
2. Easy access
3. Parking near entrance to home/office
4. The parking basement is locked, secured and maintained
5. Access to service (air, charging, tools)
6. Housing buildings: Extra width for cargo bikes, children or groceries
7. Cover

1) Parking is integrated in the building



STATIVER I 2 NIVEAUER

Cykelparkeringen er placeret under et fællesareal og er udstyret med stativer i 2 niveauer (med "sliske") for at udnytte pladsen bedst muligt.



GOD ADGANG OG DE-CENTRALE GARAGER

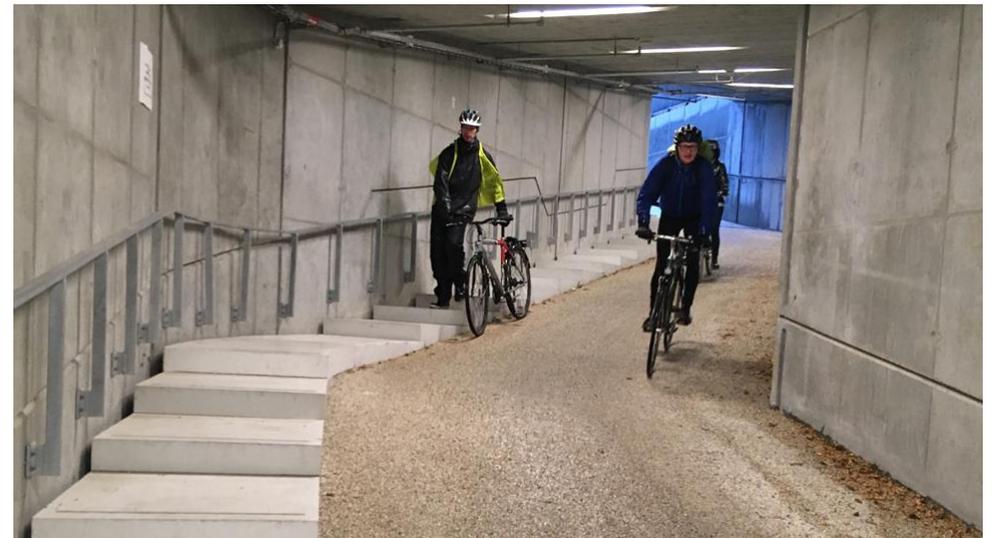
- Java Island, Amsterdam, Holland.

2) Easy access



AUTOMATIC GATE - MÆRSK TÅRNET

A sensor at the door ensures that you don't have to get off the bike to enter the bicycle parking



3) Parking near entrance to home/office



ACCESS TO THE BUILDING

There is a direct access to the building from the bicycle parking and clear signs



TOOLS FOR THE BICYCLE

A company handles the cleaning and other operation of the bicycle basement

4) The parking basement is locked, secured and maintained

5) Access to service (air, charging, tools)



COMMUTER - CYCLE CENTER

Common facilities as a replacement for decentralized solutions. Shower facilities, lockers and service station.
- Cycle Center, Millenium Park, Chicago. [Foto: City of Chicago]



CYCLE ELEVATORS

Extra width on doors and elevators.

6) Housing buildings: Extra width for cargo bikes, children or groceries

7) Cover



Evaluation of bicycle parking in Copenhagen

- Bicycle parking at 10 new buildings
 - 5 office buildings
 - 5 housing buildings
- Examples of assessment themes for the evaluation:
 - Access conditions
 - Physically and visually space consuming
 - User quality
 - Services
 - Locking options
 - Cover
 - Lightning
 - E-bike and cargo bike parking

Challenges

- The access to the bicycle parking in a construction is troublesome, resulting in a significant number of bicycles outside the racks, which shields and blocks
- 2-level bicycle racks is often without a wheeling ramp
- The combination of bicycle- and carparking
- House building:
 - Parking is rarely integrated in the buildings which means that bicycle parking takes up a lot of the urban space
 - Many bicycles for children with no parking facilities
 - Removing old/abandoning bicycles
- Office building: Poor quality of short-term/guest parking at the main entrance

A positive development

- Office buildings:
 - Bicycle parking basements of high standards for employees (service station, luggage storage, changing rooms)
- Housing buildings:
 - High standards for cargo bikes (space, locking).
 - Some buildings with service stations (air, washing)

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- Bicycle parking and urban development project 2017-2019
- 22.400 m² and 2.100 bicycle parking spaces

