Commuter Check for Bicycling FAQs

Commuter Check for Bicycling™ vouchers are the most convenient solution available to take advantage of the $20 per month Bicycle Benefit, authorized by the IRS effective January 1, 2009.

What are Commuter Check for Bicycling vouchers?
Commuter Check for Bicycling vouchers are offered and used by employees as payment toward qualified bike expenses associated with their commute to work.

Why do Employers Like Commuter Check for Bicycling vouchers?
Commuter Check for Bicycling vouchers allows your company to include commuters who bicycle to work without having to alter any current commuter benefit program structure or with minimal administration.

Why do Employees Like Commuter Check for Bicycling vouchers?
Commuter Check for Bicycling vouchers offer employees maximum flexibility: They can choose to either use their vouchers monthly to pay for bicycle storage between their commutes, or for on-going maintenance. They can also save them up toward payment for a new bicycle; vouchers are valid for 13 months.

What is a qualified bike expense the voucher can be applied towards?
The Commuter Check for Bicycling voucher can only be exchanged as payment towards bicycles, bicycle equipment, repairs, and/or storage fees associated with their commute to work.

Where can employees redeem the Commuter Check for Bicycling voucher?
Commuter Check for Bicycling vouchers can be used at participating bicycle shops and bicycle storage facilities nationwide. For a list of vendors and service providers’ visit (updated periodically): http://www.commutercheck.com/dl/Bicycle_Voucher_Acceptance_List.xls
How can employees get a Commuter Check for Bicycling voucher?
Commuter Check for Bicycling vouchers are available through the Commuter Check commuter benefit program. The bike voucher can be ordered in any denomination between $10 and $20.

Can employees take advantage of the transit and/or parking benefit along with the bicycling benefit?
No. Unfortunately the IRS regulation states that an employee taking advantage of the bicycling benefit cannot take advantage of the transit or parking benefit in the same month.