Cycling in Bonn

HIM Admin’s Mission

Our mission is service. Our endeavors are geared to optimizing your stay by letting you concentrate on your work in a relaxed atmosphere with all the conveniences of home. This includes not only work and living environments, but also mobility and leisure time. A bicycle offers convenience: mobility between work and home and for free time in between. Bonn is a bicycle city. Explore the Rhine on both banks. Rent a bike and make your HIM experience special! Enjoy!

The provider

Radstation
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Your contractual partner is the Radstation, since 2000 in Bonn under the auspices of the charity organization Caritas. The Radstation maintains, exclusively for HIM, a fleet of 30 bicycles that accommodates both genders and all sizes. The rental terms have been negotiated especially for HIM guests. These bicycles are inspected and cleaned after each use and maintained in mint condition for your safety. The Radstation’s mechanics are experts and experts-in-training, who can offer you optimal service, know-how and products. Each bicycle comes equipped with 2 locks (spoke and cable); additional miscellaneous accessories (child’s seat, basket, helmet) are optional and not included in the basic package.

HIM can make it happen!
How it works

To rent a bicycle, please complete the online form at [http://www.him.uni-bonn.de/service/bicycles/](http://www.him.uni-bonn.de/service/bicycles/). Within 24 hours the Radstation will send you an appointment to pick up the bike. **Take your passport and your HIM ID** to sign a simple contract with the Radstation. HIM guests only once deposit €150 for the duration of their stay, regardless of its length. Please return your (clean) bike during the following opening hours:
- Mon - Fri: 6:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.
- Sat: 7:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.
- Sun & holidays: 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

The mechanics inspect it for damage; if there is none, your full deposit of €150 is returned on the spot and in cash. **Should your bike be stolen during your “ownership”, your deposit is forfeited.**

Costs

The bicycles are serviced for normal wear and tear at no cost to HIM guests during regular inspections. Damages, on the other hand, will cost you money. Damage as defined by the Radstation includes major disrepair caused by inattentive use, such as a damaged saddle, ripped off lights or bell, missing or bent fenders, damaged frame or bent wheels, lost lock, flat tires caused by glass or metal slivers, a damaged gear shift, and lost or damaged accessories. These costs will be deducted from your original deposit of €150 when you return the bike. The charges will never exceed the deposit. For incidental repairs, the Radstation offers HIM guests a 10% discount off regular list prices.

Observe!

The bicycles come equipped with a premium-quality cable lock and a spoke lock. Please always use both locks when parking, even during the shortest errand. For the best theft prevention, lock the bike to an anchored object (lamp post, fence), especially in public places. Better yet, park the bike in a closed space, i.e. garage, basement; the Institute and many HIM apartment buildings provide this option! Keep the keys safe. In case of theft or loss you are liable and will be charged for the lock and bike (€150). Report the theft to the Radstation. They will provide the frame serial number, which you must include in the theft report at the next police station; take a copy of the report to the Radstation.

We hope it will never be necessary!