Bicycles, helmet, safety, protection, and protection, safety, and safety.
For the first time ever, all bicycle helmets must meet a uniform mandatory safety standard issued by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC). In the past, bicycle helmets have met one or more voluntary safety standards, but after March 1999, all bicycle helmets manufactured in or imported to the United States must comply with the new Federal Standard. Some manufacturers are likely to offer helmets meeting the CPSC safety standard before the effective date. After March 1999, consumers need only to look for a label or sticker that says the helmet meets the CPSC safety standard. This label or sticker ensures that the helmet will provide a high degree of head protection when biking.