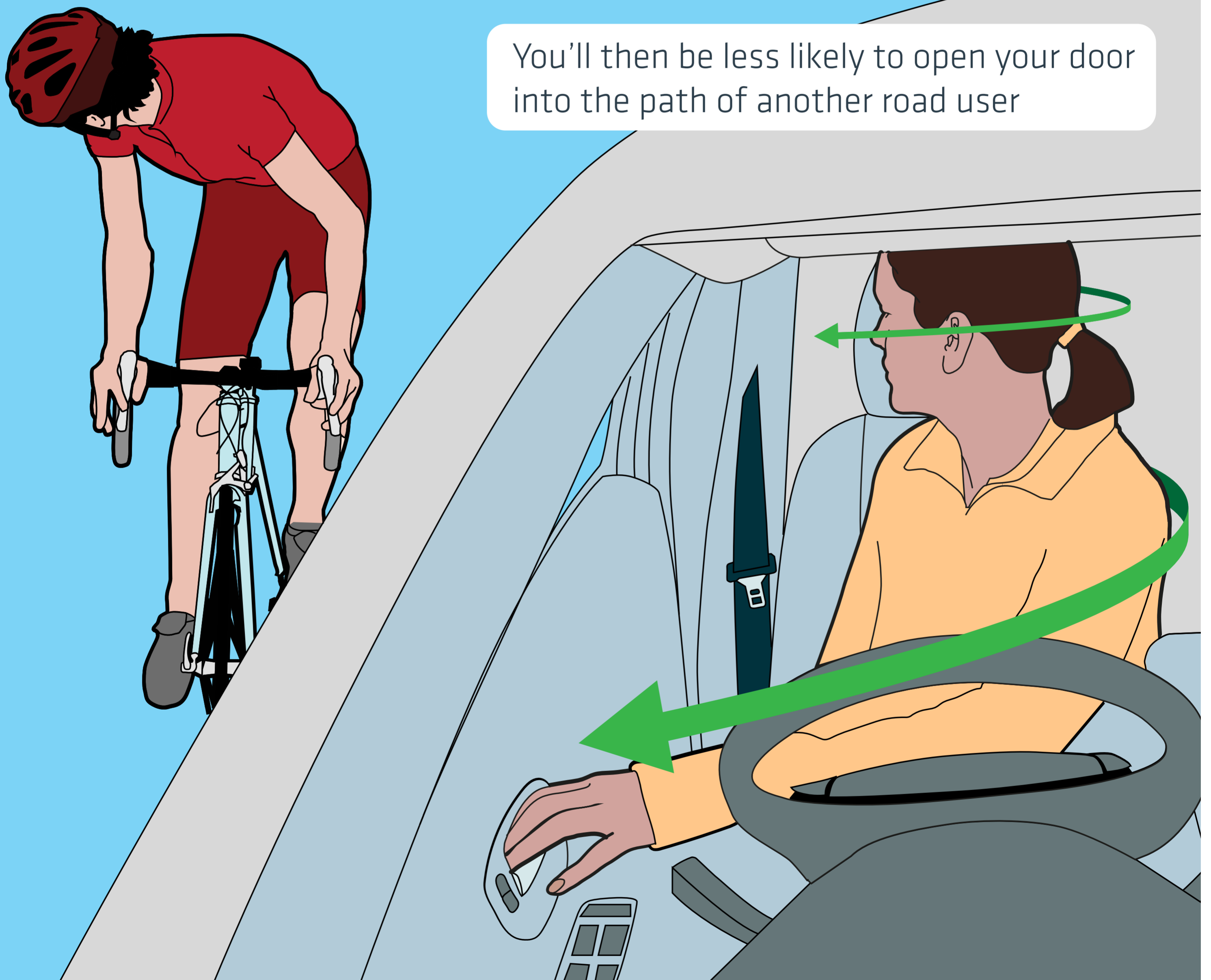


# The Dutch Reach

Open your door using whichever hand is **furthest** from the door you're opening

This will naturally encourage you to turn your head to look over your shoulder, and to open the door more slowly

You'll then be less likely to open your door into the path of another road user



The so-called Dutch Reach is a recommended technique in the Netherlands, where drivers commonly share space with cyclists and pedestrians. See rule 239 of the Highway Code for details.