

Safety Tips

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SPECIAL VEHICLE

Safety Guide

How to safely and lawfully use:

- Electric Bicycles
- Electric Scooters
- Motor Scooters
- Motorcycles
- Mopeds
- Golf Carts



Wear appropriate safety gear



Stay alert and avoid distractions



Share the road responsibly



Follow signs and local ordinances



Electric Bicycles

Class 1 - Electric motor of less than 750 watts, pedal assist up to 20 mph

Class 2 - Electric motor of less than 750 watts, motor assisted (no pedaling required) up to 20 mph

Class 3 - Electric motor of less than 750 watts, pedal assist up to 28 mph

Where Permitted: Anywhere a bicycle is permitted (when motor is not engaged)

Operators: Must be 16 years old to operate Class 3 electric bicycles

Safety Notes:

- Obey traffic signs/signals
- Ride same direction as traffic
- Yield to pedestrians
- At night: white light on front and steady/flashing light and reflector on back



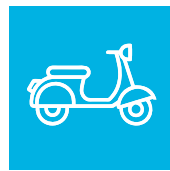
Electric Scooters (Standing)

Definition: Lightweight device (<100 lbs) with handlebars, electric or human-powered max speed of 20 mph

Where Permitted: Public streets, highways, sidewalks, shared-use paths and bicycle-designated roadways

Safety Notes:

- Yield to pedestrians
- Give audible signal when passing pedestrians
- At night: must have headlight and rear reflector



Motor Scooters (Seated)

Definition: 2 - 3 wheels, seat, floor pad, 50 - 100 cc engine, can reach over 20 mph

Where Permitted: Roads with speed limits of 45 mph or less

Not permitted on sidewalks or multi-use paths

Operators: Must have a valid motor scooter endorsement or license



Gas-Powered Bicycles (Mopeds)

Definition: 2 - 3 wheels, may be pedaled, helper motor of 50 cc or less, max speed of 20 mph on a level surface

Does not include an electric bicycle

Where Permitted: Within three feet of the right edge of any roadway

Not permitted on sidewalks or multi-use paths

Operators:

Option 1: Must be 14 years old and hold motorized bicycle license

Option 2: Must hold a driver's license

If under 18, must wear a helmet and not permitted passengers



Motorcycles

Definition: A motor vehicle, 2-3 wheels, seat or saddle, designed to travel, including, but not limited to, "motor-driven cycles," "motor scooters," "autocycles," "cab-enclosed motorcycles" or "motorcycles" without regard to weight or brake horsepower

Where Permitted: Streets and highways

Not permitted on sidewalks or multi-use paths

Operators: Requires driver's license with motorcycle endorsement

Operators under 18 years of age must wear a helmet

Safety Note: Cannot travel more than two abreast on the street



Golf Carts (Under-Speed Vehicles)

Definition: 3 - 4 wheeled motor vehicle, max speed of 20 mph, gross vehicle weight of less than 3,000 lbs

Where Permitted: Roadways with speed limits of 35 mph or lower

Not permitted on sidewalks or multi-use paths

Operators: Must hold a driver's license