

# E-scooter Rules

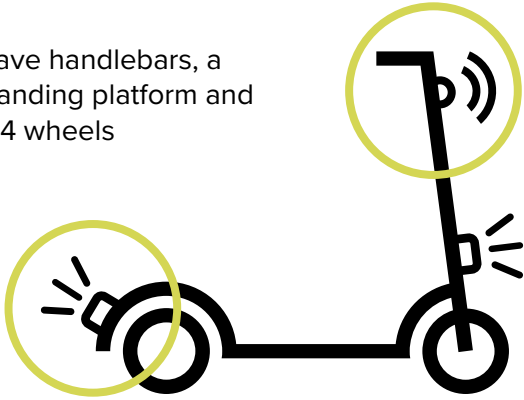


# What is an e-scooter?

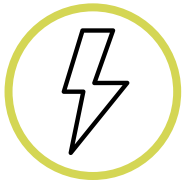
E-scooters are standing electric devices equipped with handlebars and two to four wheels. They can only be used legally in communities participating in the BC Electric Kick Scooter Pilot Project.

**Legal e-scooters must comply with the requirements below.**

Have handlebars, a standing platform and 2-4 wheels



Equipped with working brakes, front and rear lights, a rear reflector and a bell or horn



Maximum continuous motor output up to **500 watts**



Motor assistance up to **25 km/h**

Devices that do not meet these requirements are illegal and cannot be used on roads or shared paths. Significant fines and penalties may apply.

Penalties may also apply to anyone who allows an illegal device to be used—for example, a parent or guardian who provides one to a child.

# Key rules to follow

E-scooter riders must follow the same road rules as all other cyclists. This includes obeying traffic signs and signals, and following all right-of-way rules.



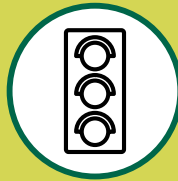
Always wear a helmet



Yield to pedestrians



Warn other road users when approaching



Follow general road rules



Stay at the scene of a collision and exchange details



**16**  
years  
and up

Riders must be at least 16 years old



Don't drink and ride



Leave your phone alone



No doubling



No sidewalks

- » Ride on roads with a speed limit of 50 km/h or less
- » Do not ride on arterial roads (e.g. Kingsway, Canada Way, Hastings Street) unless there are designated cycling/multi-use paths
- » Ride in parks and trails only if signage permits

## Ride responsibly

- » Slow down at blind corners and avoid risky riding.
- » Get familiar with your device before riding.
- » Inspect and maintain your device regularly.

# Ride Smart Penalty Guide

The Violation	Penalty
Not wearing a helmet	<b>\$29+</b>
Not yielding to pedestrians	<b>\$109+</b>
Using an electronic device	<b>\$109+</b>
Carrying a passenger (No doubling)	<b>\$109+</b>
Riding while impaired	<b>\$109+</b>
Riding in prohibited areas (sidewalks/parks)	<b>\$109+</b>
Rider under the age of 16	<b>\$109+</b>
Failure to stop or yield	<b>\$167+</b>
Ignoring traffic lights	<b>\$167+</b>
Riding an illegal device	<b>\$598+</b>

Fines are determined and issued by law enforcement officers. The total penalty may be higher than the amounts listed above, as multiple charges may apply under the BC Motor Vehicle Act and other applicable laws and regulations.



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