

E-BIKES & MORE

Know the difference

Not everything is an e-bike. Know the differences - and always ride legally and safely.

	E-BIKE CLASS 1	E-BIKE CLASS 2	E-BIKE CLASS 3	MOPED CLASS C	MOPED CLASS B	MOPED CLASS A	E-SCOOTER
	 ▶ Pedal assist	 ▶ Throttle with pedals	 ▶ Pedal assist or throttle with pedals	 ▶ Limited use motorcycle	 ▶ Limited use motorcycle	 ▶ Limited use motorcycle	 ▶ Under 100 lbs
How fast can it go?	20 MPH	20 MPH	25 MPH	20 MPH	30 MPH	40 MPH	20 MPH
How fast may I go? ^o	15 MPH	15 MPH	15 MPH	AS POSTED	AS POSTED	AS POSTED	15 MPH
Do I need a Driver's License?	NO (Must be 16)	NO (Must be 16)	NO (Must be 16)	YES	YES	YES (Plus M endorsement)	NO
Does my bike need a license plate?	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	NO
Does my bike need a Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)?	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	NO
Do I need to register my bike with the DMV?	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	NO
Can I ride in bike lanes?	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES
Can I ride in vehicle lanes?	YES [*]	YES [*]	YES [*]	YES ^{**}	YES ^{**}	YES ^{**}	YES [*]
Can I ride on bridges?	YES (Only in bike lanes)	YES (Only in bike lanes)	YES (Only in bike lanes)	YES [†] (Only in vehicle lanes)	YES [†] (Only in vehicle lanes)	YES [†] (Only in vehicle lanes)	YES (Only in bike lanes)
Can I ride in park drives and greenways?	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES
Do I need to wear a helmet?	RECOMMENDED (YES, if working)	RECOMMENDED (YES, if working)	YES	RECOMMENDED	YES	YES	RECOMMENDED

* Vehicle lanes with speed limits no greater than 30 MPH.

** Right lane and/or shoulder, except when making a left turn.

† Except the Manhattan, Williamsburg, and Queensboro (upper level) Bridges. No mopeds can be ridden on these bridges.

^o E-bikes and e-scooters are prohibited from going above 15MPH on any city street.