Electric Bicycles

312.5(a) CVC

This definition applies to electric bikes with functional pedals ONLY with an output of less than 750 watts. Electric bicycles must follow the same rules of the road as bicycles [21200 CVC]. Only Class 1 and Class 2 electric bicycles may be ridden in Class 2 Bikeways and the rider must not endanger the safety of bicyclists [21209(b) CVC].

Electric bicycles have now been divided into three different categories: Class 1, Class 2 and Class 3.

Class 1: Pedal assisted only
- Maximum speed of 20 MPH

Class 2: Throttle assisted only
- Maximum speed of 20 MPH

Class 3: Pedal assisted only
- Maximum speed of 28 MPH
- Must have a speedometer.

Laws and Regulations

- Bikeways (bike path & bike lane) prohibited. 21207.5(a) CVC
- Must be 16 years old but NO DL required 21213(a) CVC
- Bicycle helmet required (includes passengers) 21213(b) CVC

Electrically Motorized Board 313.5 CVC

This device is commonly known as a Hoverboard and can be operated almost anywhere a pedestrian can walk, unless prohibited by local ordinance. Hoverboards may be operated in a Class 2 or Class 4 Bikeway.

Laws and Regulations

- Must be 16 years old but NO DL required 21291 CVC
- Bicycle helmet required 21292 CVC
- Required equipment during darkness 21293(a), (b), (c) or (d) CVC
- Restricted to 35 MPH streets or slower 21294(a) CVC
- Speeding (15MPH maximum) 21294(b) CVC
- DUI on an Electrically Motorized Board 21296(a) CVC

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This brochure summarizes the information and regulations regarding Alternative Vehicles.

1. Motorized Scooters
2. Mopeds and Motorized Bicycles
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Motorized Scooters

407.5(a)(b) CVC

Motorized scooters (electric or gas-powered) may be operated on public roadways without registration or insurance as long as they are either in a marked bike lane or on a street with a speed limit of 25 MPH or slower.

Laws and Regulations

- DUI Regulations apply to motorized scooters
  21221.5 CVC
- Lights are required during darkness
  21223(a)(1), (2), or (3) CVC
- Required use of marked Bike Lane
  21229(a) CVC
- Restricted to streets limited to 25 MPH or slower
  21235(b) CVC
- Bicycle helmet required
  21235(c) CVC
- Valid Driver’s License or Permit required
  21235(d) CVC
- May not ride on sidewalk
  21235(g) CVC
- May not exceed 15 MPH
  22411 CVC
- Must use right hand edge of roadway – 21228(b) CVC
- Must dismount and cross on foot as a pedestrian for left turn – 21228(a)(2) CVC
- Must have a brake – 21235(a) CVC
- No passengers allowed – 21235(e) CVC
- 21235(f) Operate a motorized scooter carrying any package, bundle, or article that prevents the operator from keeping at least one hand upon the handlebars.
- Handlebars must be below shoulder level – 21235(h) CVC
- Cannot park and block sidewalk with scooter – 21235(i) CVC
- Cannot attach to another vehicle – 21235(j) CVC

Mopeds and Motorized Bicycles

406(a) CVC

This definition applies to gas powered bicycles with working pedals and electric bicycles without pedals which are capable of traveling at a maximum speed of 30 MPH. These Mopeds are required to be registered and insured, and the operator must possess a Class M2 motorcycle license. Mopeds may be ridden in bike lanes, but the rider must ride in a manner that does not endanger the safety of bicyclists (21209(b) CVC).

Laws and Regulations

- Special DMV plate required
  5030 CVC
- M2 license required
  12500(b) CVC
- Insurance required
  16028(a) CVC
- Motorcycle helmet required
  27803(b) CVC
- Lighting and Equipment requirements
  24015(a) or (b) CVC
- Bike path or Bikeway prohibited
  21207.5 CVC