

Penalties

Riding an illegal device



Unregistered vehicle:

More than **\$260*** | Can be issued to rider or parent



Uninsured vehicle:

More than **\$330*** | Can be issued to rider or parent



Not wearing a motorcycle helmet:

More than **\$500*** | + 3 demerit points



No motorcycle licence:

More than **\$550***



Total:

More than **\$1,640*** | + 3 demerit points

*2 or more unregistered and uninsured offences within 5 years may result in the device being impounded or confiscated by police.

E-bike penalties



Not wearing a helmet:

More than **\$160***



Not giving way to pedestrians on path:

More than **\$160***



Using a mobile phone while riding:

More than **\$1,250***



Excess passengers:

More than **\$160***



Disobeying give way or stop signs:

More than **\$500***



Ignoring traffic lights:

More than **\$660***

*Fines can increase from 1 July each year so check qld.gov.au/transport/safety/fines/cycling for current amounts.



Scan the QR code for further details covering these key rules:

streetsmarts.initiatives.qld.gov.au/electric-bikes

E-Bike Rules



What is an e-bike?

An e-bike is a type of bicycle that provides electric motor assistance.

Legal e-bikes must comply with requirements below.



Pedals are primary source of power

Motor provides assistance only.



Motor assistance up to 25km/h

Bicycle can only be ridden faster under human power.

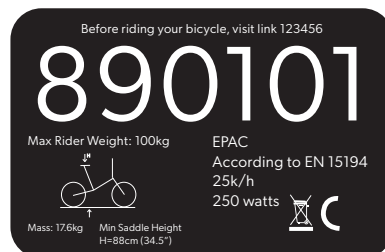


Maximum continuous motor output 250 watts

The motor output should be printed on the compliance sticker.

Most legal e-bikes comply with the standard for Electric Power Assisted Bicycles (EPAC) EN15194.

Look out for a compliance sticker on the bike like this.



Illegal devices

A device with any of the features below is illegal and cannot be ridden on roads or paths anywhere in Queensland.



Internal combustion engine

E-bikes must have an electric motor.



Throttle powered only

Throttle power is permitted at speeds up to 6km/h to get started. After this you must pedal to activate the motor assistance.



High powered motors

High-powered devices with a motor more than 250 watts are not permitted.

These devices are classified as illegal motorcycles and significant penalties apply for use on roads and paths.

Penalties also apply to people that permit these devices to be used on roads. For example, a parent that buys the device for their child.

Key rules to follow

E-bike riders must follow all general road rules just like all bicycle riders. This includes obeying signs and traffic lights as well as give way rules.



Always wear a helmet



Give way to pedestrians on paths



Don't drink and ride



Leave your phone alone



Ring your bell to warn pedestrians



Only carry passengers if bike designed to do so



No riding on motorways or where no bicycle signs are installed



Stay at the scene of a crash and exchange details



Speed limits apply

Look out for specific limits on paths and bridges