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## **E-Scooters**

Police Scotland are currently looking to raise awareness on the use of E-scooters and would like the opportunity to provide you with current information around the usage of E-scooters. A visual guide on this has also been included which can be used to present on smart boards or printed off and attached to notice boards.

It is currently illegal to ride a privately owned e-scooter on a road or in a public place.

Under current legislation, e-scooters can only be driven on private land with the permission of the land owner.

Unlawful or improper use could result in seizure of vehicle, fines being imposed and disqualify you from holding a driving licence.

Electrical scooters (also known as e-scooters) come under the category of "powered transporters".

"Powered transporters" fall within the legal definition of a motor vehicle under the Road Traffic Act 1988. Therefore, the rules that apply to motor vehicles, also apply to e-scooters.

More information can be found here on the [Department for Transport](#) government site.

#EscooterAwareness

VIDEO LINK – [EScooter Awareness Video](#)

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	<b>E-Scooter / E-Skateboard / Segway / Hover board</b>	<b>Scrambler / Dirt Bike / Motorcycle / E-Motorcycle / Go-peds</b>
<b>Allowed on Cycle paths / Cycle routes / Cycle Lanes</b>	<b>✗</b>	<b>✗</b>
<b>Allowed on Footpath</b>	<b>✗</b>	<b>✗</b>
<b>Allowed on public road<sup>(1)</sup> (without any of the conditions below)</b>	<b>✗</b>	<b>✗</b>
<b>Safety Equipment required (Approved safety helmet)</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
<b>Vehicle registration required when used on a public road<sup>(1)</sup> or in a public place</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
<b>Vehicle Excise Licence required when used on a public road<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
<b>Insurance required when used on a public road<sup>(1)</sup> or in a public place.</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
<b>Licence required when used on a public road.<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>

"(1)"road" means, any way (other than a waterway) over which there is a public right of passage (by whatever means and whether subject to a toll or not and includes the road's verge, and any bridge (whether permanent or temporary) over which, or tunnel through which, the road passes; and any reference to a road includes a part thereof.

Any person who uses a powered transporter on a public road or other prohibited space in breach of the Road Traffic Act 1988 is committing a Road Traffic Offence and can be prosecuted.