

Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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The number of e-bike and e-scooter users has increased dramatically and a number of these users are using walkways where they are a hazard to pedestrians; others are using the road, where they are hugely at risk and are a hazard to other road users. Many are not familiar with the rules (speeding; not wearing helmets, under-age and/or carrying more than one passenger) and it is not possible to report them because the vehicles are not registered. I would suggest that far simpler and clearer guidelines for their use are required, along with education of the public via schools etc. However, I know that even with clear guidelines and laws, signage and education, there will be a need to enforce the law as there are too many people who just do their own thing anyway, particularly in some of the more secluded nature conservancies and parklands as well as in shopping centre parking lots. To this end I believe that these vehicles should be registered in some way so that existing cameras can be used for law enforcement purposes.