

Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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On my walks to work, I regularly see e-bikes being recklessly operated by youngsters on our road. Often carrying out wheelies down the middle of the road. These individuals often are not wearing helmets either. I have also witnessed this practice whilst I have been driving, and tend to stay as far away as possible to avoid a potential fatal collision. The youngsters operating these e-bikes are using the same road as cars at speed, and they have not been required to sit any form of road traffic test, and are oblivious to the rules around safety. e-scooters are also a problem, particularly on busy pedestrian walkways. Lack of knowledge and common sense used can make operation of them dangerous to innocent individuals just going about their day. I strongly feel that a minimum age should be placed on particularly e-bikes and a standard test should be required before you are allowed to operate them. I would also think that some sort of registration system would be advisable, to enable identification.