

## Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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There is currently a restriction on the speed of electric scooters, but many scooters on the Sunshine Coast can achieve speeds well over this. The cost of policing scooter speed infringements would be prohibitive, and I believe that scooters with speed capabilities that exceed the national speed limits should be banned altogether. Even if one wanted to catch and fine an offender, the task would be almost impossible, as scooters can slip through most obstacles and terrain if their drivers are determined to get away. Additionally, any chase could endanger the public. If selected police officers were trained to identify common, "complying", scooters and had the authority to seize any parked scooter suspected of having higher speed capabilities, scooters could be redeemed from a local police yard for a limited period and then scrapped. Speed tests could easily be carried out at the police yards without the need for specialised equipment. Another solution might be to introduce a registration system where a numbered registration tag is securely affixed to every scooter at a cost that covers the tags and labour involved. A national register could be kept showing an address and the details of a responsible adult at that address. After that, any scooter found in a public place that did not clearly show a visible registration tag could be seized and held for a limited time, then scrapped.