

Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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I'm a 72-year-old who rides his e/bike almost every day. I'm sure you all realise there are two basic types of e/bikes. One that requires you to peddle to have momentum [center peddle motor], the type I use, the other uses a hand throttle activating an electric motor in the hub of the wheel, peddling is complementary but not required. It would appear many school children, but also some adults, ride the latter type of machine. These machines can be ridden at speeds up to at least 60 klms/hour. Bike helmets if worn aren't designed to cope with this force of impact. Very few riders or passengers wear one anyway. Clearly this is a disaster waiting to happen. These overt e/bikes [machines] must be regulated just like an ICE motorized scoter ie motor bike license and registration.