

Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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As avid E-mobility users we love to take our E-scooters, E-bikes or E-skateboards on weekend rides. We use both footpaths and edge of roadways. We are extremely cautious of other vehicles and abiding by the road rules when using the roadways. We are also very considerate of other users on footpaths. We always wear helmets while riding for safety and to abide by the law. Our opinion on the safety for all is to put rules in place for use on roads and footpaths and penalties for those that would break those rules. Limiting the wattage of an electric motor is not going to make using E-mobility safer. If the road rules for pedal only assisted bikes are in place then it should be the same for E-mobility. If the maximum speed for bikes on roadways is 32km then an electric assisted option should be able to get to that speed using the electric motor. Instead of a hard 250W cap allow E-bikes and scooters up to 500W or 750W with a max assisted speed.