

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

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To the Committee of Inquiry into the use of E Mobility Scooter, Bikes and similar forms of mobility devices.

Due to the serious incidents of fatalities and accidents with Personal Mobility Devices I herein make the following suggestions.

All manufacturers should be made to manufacture the units with governed speed limitations as part of the manufacturing process.

All PMDs are to be manufactured with "built in Horns" or similar warning device incorporated into their framework.

The speed limitations should be set at no more than 12 Km/h for scooters and 15 Km/h for Bikes.

All PMDs should be registered with Dept Transport and Main Roads.

All PMDs and users are to carry appropriate insurances for use as a Motorised vehicle.

All users are to undertake a testing criteria for the appropriate safe usage of the PMDs including a comprehension test and licence in regards to road and pedestrian safety.

Said PMDs can only be purchased by adults and upon purchase must be registered with current insurances and a pass in road and pedestrian safety understanding.

Any person that is found to be using a PMD in a manner contrary to the specific law abiding requirements will be guilty of breaking the law, Charged and fined like any other person that is in control of any other conveyance.

The specific unit that was being ridden at the time of the offence will be impounded and can only be redeemed by way of purchase by the original registered owner or an adult and at the original purchase price.

All funds received in this manner are to go into a fund for furthering and fostering improvements to and for the usage of all Personal Mobility Device programmes.

From a proactive instead of reactive viewpoint.

A specific community based programme should be organised for children from 12 to 14 Years, so that they can be pre educated before they are legally old enough to use a PMD.

The above suggestions have a threefold affect within their rationale.

Making the manufacturers of The PMDs more responsible in regards to safety.

Making the purchaser more aware of their responsibilities for using a PMD.

Making the Parents, Gaurdians, give more consideration towards their more responsibilities before they decide to purchase a PMD for their children.

In the hope that the suggestions herein are of assistance to the Committee and the safer usage of E mobility units.

Yours faithfully,

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