

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

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These devices are capable of high speeds and i have been travelling at 60 kph and been overtaken on main roads particularly by electric bicycles. They are motorcycles by any definition, however no registration, insurance or licence. This is just wrong. The age of the Users is of real concern. I have witnessed on a daily basis, young kids riding on the streets and main roads with no regard for any road rules or other users. Red lights and stop signs mean nothing to them. A total ban on a motorised device on any footpath and designated public road should be enforced until the user is at an age capable of obtaining a license and understanding their obligations to road safety. The second issue I have is the fact that I am a motorcycle enthusiast and have several machines and if I wish to ride them on the road. I require a drivers licence to use them on public roads. Each motorcycle also has to be roadworthy and registered, (with an exorbitant cost) and insured, (at an exorbitant cost), yet the "E" fraternity requires nothing. The vehicles are probably an excellent intro to road use and safety. However both escooters and ebikes need to be ridden safely and with maturity. I suggest that a rider be 14yrs old before riding on the road and have to do a training/safety course, and the vehicle itself has some form of registration and CTP. That way we will have 16yr olds with an appreciation of what it is to be a vulnerable road user, and an appreciation of rules to prepare them for a learners permit and car/motorcycle licence. At the moment you have to have a car licence for a specific period before you can get a learners permit for a motorcycle. As an incentive perhaps after 2 yrs of evehicle licence you can get a LAMS motorcycle learners permit.