

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

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I use public walkways daily and have witnessed many near misses involving escooters, ebikes and electronic skateboards and pedestrians. Many riders of these electronic devices: \* ride too fast and certainly above the speeds required by law \* do not give way to pedestrians nor warn them from behind with the sounding of a bell or horn \* verbally abuse pedestrians who are on the pathway \* ride unsafely eg doing monos, not wearing helmets or protective gear, being too young to be in control of such a powerful vehicle, doubling or carrying young passengers. I have witnessed incidents where escooters, e bike and e skateboards have collided with a pedestrian and have just ridden off and have witnessed riders damaging property and also taunting police on the road. My recommendations are: \* all escooters, ebikes and eskateboards need to be registered with clearly identifiable numbers so if an incident occurs the rider can be identified and charged \* riders in breach of laws should have their vehicle seized and destroyed for repeated breaches \* e vehicles should only be available from reputable retailers eg 99 bikes so that quality assurance is maintained \* cheap imports which can be easily modified or with inferior batteries should be banned