Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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These e-mobility devices are a public safety concern both on the road and on the footpath. The riders of these devices have no sense of responsibility or safety for themselves, pedestrians or other road users by disobeying all rules and regulations. There is no policing of these devices, the riders just run amuck as they know they will not get caught, there needs to be more policing of these devices and the rider need to accept all responsibility. Registration (number plates both front and back of the same size as on cars would enable for these to be clearly seen) should be compulsory and compulsory third party insurance paid for by the owner of the device. The owner needs to take all responsibility. They should not be allowed on the road as they are a safety hazard for all concerned by not adhering to any road rules. They should have a lower speed limit on the footpath and a mandatory warning device (such as a bell or horn) to let pedestrian know of there approach and a maximum of 10kph and an age restriction of a minimum of 21 years of age, so riders would have some common sense. They should always have to give way to all in all situations. Or another idea would be to ban them from all public assessable places.