



NOTICE
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**Adopted Rules and Regulations Changes
Regarding Electric Bicycles and Motorized Scooters –
Operating Rules Changes**

During the September 27, 2022 General Session Board Zoom meeting, the Board of Directors ratified and adopted the Operating Rules Changes adding new paragraphs regarding motorized scooters and electric bicycles to the Rules and Regulations under Section VI, Miscellaneous Regulations, below:

A. General:

1. Caution must be used when riding a motorized scooter or an electric bicycle, including, but not limited to, maintaining safe speeds and distances, and observing other vehicles and pedestrians.
2. Owner shall be responsible for injury, death and damage caused by the operation of a motorized scooter and electric bicycle, including those operated by Owner, Owner's family member, tenant, guest, and invitee.
3. Basic rules of the road contained in the California Vehicle Code apply.

B. For standard motorized scooters, such requirements include the following:

1. Helmets must be worn at all times.
2. Scooters cannot be ridden on roads with a speed limit greater than 25 MPH, unless there is a bike lane.
3. No passengers are permitted.
4. Motorized scooters cannot be driven faster than 15 MPH.
5. California Vehicle Code applicable to motorized scooters must be followed.

C. For electric bicycles (i.e. a bicycle equipped with fully operable pedals and an electric motor up to 750 watts), such requirements include the following:

1. Electric bikes that are capable of reaching 28 mph (i.e. Class 3 electric bikes) may only be operated by persons aged 16, per California law.
2. Helmets must be worn at all times if the driver is under the age of 18 or at all times if the rider is operating a Class 3 electric bike.
3. No passengers are permitted.
4. Electric bicycles driven on vehicular streets must abide by all Association vehicles rules.
5. California Vehicle Code applicable to electric bicycles must be followed.