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Personal mobility devices and other devices facilitating sustainable and inclusive mobility

### Personal mobility devices

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# Legislation on Personal mobility devices 2021



(note: these are not mopeds, which are up to 4 kW and up to 45 km/h)

Country	Driving license, registration, roadworthiness (PTI), insurance, certificates, etc.	Max. power	Max. speed	Mandatory safety helmets	Bicycle path / cycle track	Bicycle lane  cycle lane	Shoulder (hard)  Roadside (if there are no cycle tracks or cycle lanes)	Sidewalk (if there are no cycle tracks, cycle lanes or	tracks,	RUS lane & other
LT	*	1 kW	25 km/h	Under 18 years old – must; Over 18 years old –	$\checkmark$	Driver must be over: 14 years old, or 12 years	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	Driver must be over: 14	Same safety equipment and

				recommenda tion.		old + training, or 8 years old + adult.			years old, or 12 years old + training, or 8 years old + adult.	Near pedestrians 3—7 km/h speed.
D (from 2019-06- 18)	Special registration plates for insurance. Tests: to overcome the obstacles, braking deceleration, etc.	×	20 km/h	(would be mandatory if the speed would be more than 20 km/h)	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	×	<b>✓</b>	(unless there is an additional panel)
F	*	×	25 km/h	(access to e-scooters is limited to persons of more than 12 years old).	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	(no roadsides)	*	<b>✓</b>	*

В	*	*	25 km/h	recommende d.	speed higher than footpace	if used at a speed higher than footpace (=considered as a cyclist).	used at a speed higher than footpace (= considered as a cyclist) under the condition to	built-up area and under the condition of grating priority to the other road users on the	<b>√</b>	if used at a speed higher than footpace (=considered as a cyclist) an under the condition that cyclists are allowed to use the bus lane (indicated by the symbol of a cycle which is put on the sign indicating the bus lane).
A	*	0,6 kW	25 km/h	Below 12 years		where cycling is allowed. Not alone under 12 years (supervising person min. 16	On carriageway, where cycling is allowed. Not alone under 12 years (supervising	If locally legislated (by province or town).	On carriagewa y, where cycling is allowed. Not alone under 12 years (supervisin	(unless there is an additional panel).

						cycling permission (requires tests) from age 9.	person min. 16 years old), with cycling permission (requires tests) from age 9.		g person min. 16 years old), with cycling permission (requires tests) from age 9.	
FIN "Light electric vehicle" 01/2016	×	1 kW	25 km/h	Recommend ation	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>	×	<b>√</b>	Front and rear lights, sound signal device.
SK (After approval legislation will come into force 2019-12- 01)	(No approval certificate, technical conditions similar like a bike – front and rear lights, brakes.	×	25 km/h	*	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>	(only at the pedestrian speed)	<b>√</b>	*
DK	Rental scooters must be insured. Driver must be 15 years old. Electric scooters can be driven by kids below 15	×	20 km/h	×	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	*	<b>√</b>	CE-marking (MD).  Max 25kg.  Front and rear lights (always on).

	years if accompanied by an adult.									Front, side and rear reflectors.
S Cycle if	Defined in legislation as bicycle if max 250 W and max speed 20 km/h	250 W	20 km/h	Only kids below 15 years old, bicycle helmet or similar	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>	Only if it is driven in walking speed	<b>√</b>	Same rules as for cyclists in general.
S Moped class II	Defined probably as a moped class II  A moped must have a traffic insurance and the driver a driving license or driver's certificate	250 W-	25 km/h	Mandatory safety helmet	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	*	<b>√</b>	Same rules as for moped class II in general.
СН	E-scooter must correspond to Swiss technical prescriptions for electric bicycles.  No driving license for drivers aged 16 and up, license required for 14—15 years old.		20 km/h	*	<b>√</b>			(only if bicycles are allowed by signalization		Same rules as for cyclists. Only allowed if bicycles are allowed by signalization

	No registration requirement and no number plates needed. Also, liability insurance is not mandatory for such vehicles.									
L	*	0,25 kW	25 km/h	*	Driver must be over 10 years. Over 6 is allowed if supervised by 15+ or if driving to school.	Driver must be over 10 years. Over 6 is allowed if supervised by 15+ or if driving to school.	Driver must be over 10 years. Over 6 is allowed if supervised by 15+ or if driving to school.	(considered as pedestrian) is under 13 years and the engine	Driver must be over 10 years. Over 6 is allowed if supervised by 15+ or if driving to school.	signal of frei
UK		N/a. It is not legal to ride an e-scooter on the road, due to the require ments it must	N/a as per the previous box.	An e-scooter also falls within the definition of a motor-cycle and therefore a user is required to	Not permitted under current legislation.	As per previous box.	As per the previous box.	*	It is not legal to ride an e-scooter on the road, due to the requirements it must meet as motor vehicle, and the	Linfor

		meet as motor vehicle, and the difficult y a user presentl y faces in meeting those require ments.		wear a motorcycle helmet.					difficulty a user presently faces in meeting those requiremen ts.		Informal document No. 10
BR	No driving license; no registration and no number plates are needed. Also, liability insurance is not mandatory for such vehicles.  Use of speedometer, buzzer and night signaling (front, rear and side) is mandatory for such vehicles.	×	20 km/h	*			*	It is subject to local legislation (municipalities).	to local legislation	It is subject to loca legislation	11
NL	'bijzondere bromfiets' (special moped) must be	1,0 kW for individu al transpor		×	Same rules as bicycles, specific		Same rules as bicycles, specific				

	procedure comparable to				instructions on road signs.	instructions on road signs.	instructions on road signs.	instructions on road signs.	instructions on road signs.	instructions on road signs.
J	Defined as a motorized bicycle if max 600 W (rated output). It must have a traffic insurance and the driver must have a driving license.	600 W (rated output)	30 km/h	<b>√</b>	*	*	(only if there are no sidewalks)	*	<b>√</b>	(same rules as a motorized bicycle, e.g. a front light)
LV	*	×	25 km/h	Recommend ed	Near pedestrians at walking speed	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	Near pedestrians at walking speed	Only on low volume traffic roads where speed limit is 50 km/h or lower.	Driver must be over 14 years old

#### Additional comments.

**B**: Important to say is that in Belgium it is the speed with which these vehicles are used that defines the place on the road. If they are used at footpace, they are considered as pedestrians and have to follow the rules which apply to pedestrians. It they are used at a speed higher than footpace, they are considered as cyclists and they have to follow the rules which apply to cyclists.

The other road users much apply the rules which apply towards pedestrians vis-à-vis steps which are used at footpace, and the rules which apply towards cyclists vis-à-vis steps which are used at a speed higher than footpace.

The technical max. speed of those vehicles is limited until 25 km/h. But it is possible, for example downhill, that they go faster than this maximum technical speed, which is allowed, but of course they general speed limits always apply!

L: Electric scooters are newly defined as "micro-vehicles" and mostly considered as electric bicycles, but they must be propelled by an electric motor of a maximum power not exceeding 0,25 kW with maximum design speed that does not exceed 25 km/h. In this case, the traffic rules applying for cycles are applicable. If the technical specifications go beyond these thresholds, these devices are considered as two-wheel moped and need to be registered at SNCA (Société Nationale de Circulation Automobile) and equipped with a number plate. For the use of a two-wheel moped on public roads, a driver's license is required and a type approved helmet has to be worn. The main differences between micro-vehicles and bicycles are that they have to be 'small', that there is no passenger allowed and that the rear lights have to be at a height of at least 40 cm, or worn by the driver.

**UK**: Currently electric scooters are classified as motor vehicles, so are treated the same as mopeds. There is no categorization for electric scooters. To be used on the road they must meet the same technical standards as mopeds, but as they do not do so they are effectively illegal on the road in the UK. If a road legal electric scooter was available, they would have to comply with all other laws for mopeds, so would require a category A driving license, motor insurance, wearing of a motorcycle helmet, be registered and would only be allowed on the road (not cycle lanes or pavements). The UK is currently reviewing its laws for electric scooters and other similar personal vehicles.

**DK**: The Danish legislation on electric scooters is a pilot scheme, which is being evaluated on a yearly basis and adapted accordingly.

J: If an electric scooter has more than 600 W power, it is defined as a motor vehicle. Rules shown above are only for a motorized bicycle.

I: Legislation is still evolving, having been delegated to local authorities on the basis of the following central government guidelines, reported as follows: - Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport decree 0000229,dated 4/06/2019; - Ministry of Interior - Traffic Police department Regulation Prot. 300/A/1974/20/104/5, dated 9 /03/2020. (preliminary information, until the definitive regulatory asset will be approved).