



There have been several complaints riding of Electric-Scooters and electric -Bikes by taking their children to school or riding them themselves.

What happens if you get caught riding an electric scooter in the UK?

For an adult

a £300 fine and six penalty points on your license for having no insurance. a £100 fine and three to six penalty points for riding without the correct license.

The law if a person under the age of 16 years

a 15-year-old cannot legally ride a privately owned electric scooter on public roads, pavements, or cycle paths in the UK. Electric scooters are currently treated as motor vehicles under the [Road Traffic Act 1988](#), requiring a driving license and insurance. Since 15-year-olds are not legally allowed to hold a driving license or insurance, they cannot legally operate electric scooters on public spaces. They can only be used on private land with the owner's permission. Rental e-scooters, which are part of government-approved trial schemes, have a minimum age of 16 and require a provisional driving license.

If caught the parents can get the fine and points for knowing and allowing their child to ride one

E Bikes

To be legally classed as an EAPC and therefore be legal under UK e-bike laws, the maximum power output from the pedal-assist motor can't be more than 250 watts. **750w** e-bikes can be used on private land or with an electric bike licence

The Law for Throttle bikes

You are also allowed a throttle that can be used up to the legal motor assist limit of 15.5mph – 25 kph but the pedals must be turning for the throttle to work. Not too many brands offer full speed throttles (MiRider is one of the few that offers them across its range)

Please remember this when buying 1 for Christmas



Why am I getting this flyer?

You have been stopped because you are riding a privately owned e-scooter and it is currently against the law to ride an e-scooter on a public road or pavement.

You can buy a privately owned e-scooter **BUT** it can only be used on private land, which the public does not have access to, with the landowner's permission. (e.g. they can't be used on a supermarket car park.)

E-scooters are classed as motor vehicles so you need a licence, tax, MOT and insurance, but at the current time you cannot meet this requirement.

What happens?

Humberside Police can use a range of powers to deal with the use of an e-scooter, ranging from a warning through to seizure and prosecution. This includes if it's being driven in a careless, dangerous or anti-social manner. If it's seized you won't be able to get it back and could end up with a fine and points on your licence.

WE are seizing both E-scooters and illegal E-Bikes