



Electric Bicycles, Motorcycles and Motorized Scooters Information Guide

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Class 1 / Class 2
 Equipped with an electric motor and pedal assisted (Class 1) and/or throttle assisted (Class 2), reaches the **speed of 20 miles per hour.**
CVC 312.5(a)(1)/(2)



Class 3
 Equipped with a motor that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling, and that ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches the **speed of 28 miles per hour and equipped with a speedometer.**
CVC 312.5(a)(3)



Motorized Scooter
 Two-wheeled device that has handlebars, has either a floorboard that is designed to be stood upon when riding or a seat and footrest in place of the floorboard, and is powered by an electric motor. This device may also be designed to be powered by human propulsion.
CVC 407.5(a)



Motor Driven Cycles
 Any motorcycle with a motor less than 10 cubic centimeters.
CVC 405



Motorcycle
 Motor vehicle having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider, designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground. A motor vehicle that has four wheels in contact with the ground, two of which are a functional part of a sidecar, is a motorcycle if the vehicle otherwise comes within the definition of subdivision (a).
CVC 400(a)/(b)



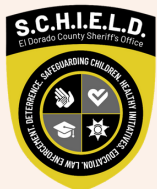
Moped/Motorized Bicycle
 Two-wheeled or three-wheeled device having fully operative pedals for propulsion by human power or having no pedals if powered solely by electrical energy, and an automatic transmission and a motor that produces less than 4 gross brake horsepower and can propel the device at a **maximum speed of not more than 30 miles per hour.**
CVC 406(a)



Pocket Bikes
 Two wheeled motorized device that has a seat or saddle for the use of the rider, and that is not designed or manufactured for highway use. "Pocket bike" does not include an off-highway motorcycle, as defined in section 436.
CVC 473(a)

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	Pedal Operated	Max Speed (MPH)	Minimum Age (YRS)	Driver License Required	Registration/ License Plate Required	Helmet Required	Allowed on Bike Paths/Trails	Allowed on Sidewalk	Allowed on the Roadway
Bicycle	YES	N/A	N/A	NO	NO	UNDER 18 VC 21212(a)	YES	YES	YES
Class 1 E-Bike	YES	20	N/A	NO	NO	UNDER 18 VC 21212(a)	YES	YES	YES
Class 2 E-Bike	YES	20	N/A	NO	NO	UNDER 18 VC 21212(a)	YES	YES	YES
Class 3 E-Bike	YES	28	16 VC 21213(a)	NO	NO	YES VC 21213(b)	NO ¹ VC 21207.5	YES	YES
Motorized Scooter No passengers	NO	15	15 ½	YES VC 21235(d)	NO	UNDER 18 VC 21235(c)	YES	NO VC 21235(g)	=/>25 MPH ST UNLESS IN BIKE LN VC 21235(b)
Moped/Motorized Bike	YES/NO	N/A	15 ½	YES VC 12500(b)	YES VC 4000(a)(1)	YES VC 27803(b)	NO ¹ VC 23127	NO VC 21663	YES
Motorcycle	NO	N/A	15 ½	YES VC 12500(b)	YES VC 4000(a)(1)	YES VC 27803(b)	NO VC 23127	NO VC 21663	YES
Motor Driven Cycles	NO	N/A	15 ½	YES VC 12500(b)	YES VC 4000(a)(1)	YES VC 27803(b)	NO VC 23127	NO VC 21663	YES
Pocket Bikes	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	NO VC 21720	NO VC 21720	NO VC 21720
Off Highway Motorcycle	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	YES VC 38170(b)	YES VC 27803(b)	NO VC 23127	NO VC 21663	NO VC 38025
Low Speed Vehicle VC 385.5	NO	25	15 ½	YES VC 12500(a)	YES VC 4000(a)(1)	NO	NO VC 23127	NO VC 21663	=/>35 MPH ST VC 21260
Golf Cart VC 345	NO	15	N/A	NO	NO	NO	ONLY IF DESIGNATED	NO VC 21663	=/> 25 MPH ST VC 21716



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