



Use of E-Bikes, Scooters, Dirt Bikes, and Similar Devices on School Property

As part of HLB's annual agreement with the Hudson School District, we have been asked to support the enforcement of the district's ***Alternative Forms of Student Transportation*** procedure. This procedure regulates the use of e-bikes, electric scooters, dirt bikes, and similar devices on school property.

Please note that riding these devices on sidewalks and athletic fields is strictly prohibited.

We ask for your cooperation in helping to educate your children about this policy, as well as the guidelines outlined in the Hudson Police Department's ***Guide to E-Bikes, Scooters, Dirt Bikes, and Mobility Devices***.

For your reference, both the Hudson School District procedure and the Hudson Police Department guide are included in this document.



KNOW BEFORE YOU RIDE



Questions?

Hudson PD
(603) 886-6011

Hudson Police Department Guide to E-Bikes, Scooters, Dirt Bikes & Mobility Devices



THE GOLDEN RULE

No pedals = not a bicycle.

In New Hampshire, an e-bike must have working pedals, a motor no larger than 750 watts, and a max speed of 28 mph or less. If it does not meet all 3 requirements, it is treated as a motor vehicle and may require registration and a driver's license for public roads.



WORKING
PEDALS

+



MOTOR
750W
OR LESS

+



MAX SPEED
28 MPH
OR LESS

>> WHAT ARE YOU RIDING? <<



TRADITIONAL BICYCLE

Pedal-powered only.
Bicycle laws apply.
No registration
needed.



E-BIKE (750W OR LESS)

Has pedals and
electric motor 750W
or less. Follows
bicycle laws.
No registration
needed.



E-BIKE (OVER 750W)

Treated as a
motor vehicle.
License and
registration
required. OHRV
rules may apply.



E-SCOOTER

No pedals.
Treated as a
motor vehicle.
License and
registration
required.
No sidewalks.



DIRT BIKE / GAS BIKE

OHRV use only.
Trails or private
land with
permission.
No public roads.



MOBILITY SCOOTER

Assistive device for
seniors/disabled
users. Use sidewalks
and crosswalks.
Treated like a
pedestrian.

>> E-BIKE CLASSES <<

CLASS 1



Pedal-assist only,
no throttle.

- ✓ Max 20 mph
- ✓ Any age
- ✓ Helmet required
if under 16

CLASS 2



Throttle allowed.

- ✓ Max 20 mph
- ✓ Any age
- ✓ Helmet required
if under 16

CLASS 3



Pedal-assist only.
Speedometer required.

- ✓ Max 28 mph
- ✓ Rider must be 16+
- ✓ Helmet required
if under 18
- ✓ May be restricted from
some shared-use paths

>> AGE & HELMET RULES <<



TRADITIONAL BICYCLE

ANY AGE



Helmet required
if under 16



E-BIKE CLASS 1 & 2

ANY AGE



Helmet required
if under 16



E-BIKE CLASS 3

MUST BE 16+



Helmet required
if under 18



E-BIKE OVER 750W / E-SCOOTER

DRIVER'S LICENSE
REQUIRED



Helmet always
required



DIRT BIKE / OHRV

FOLLOW OHRV
AGE RULES



Helmet always
required



MOBILITY SCOOTER

MODICAL USE /
N/A



Helmet not
required

>> HUDSON RULES YOU NEED TO KNOW <<



**No bicycles or e-bikes on
sidewalks in Hudson.**

E-scooters are also not allowed on
sidewalks because they are treated
as motor vehicles.



**Dirt bikes and OHRVs are not allowed
on Hudson roadways.**

Operation is allowed only on privately owned land
with the owner's permission. There are no public
OHRV trails in Hudson. Riding on roads, rail trails,
or mountain bike paths is illegal.

>> POSSIBLE VIOLATIONS & FINES <<



Unregistered Motor Vehicle — RSA 261:40



Unlicensed Operation — RSA 263:1



Reckless Operation — RSA 265:79



OHRV Violations — Fines starting
at \$120 plus towing

★ **RIDE SMART. RIDE SAFE. KNOW THE RULES.** ★

Resources: nh.gov/glance/laws-rules • dmv.nh.gov • wildlife.nh.gov • hudsonnh.gov/police



HUDSON SCHOOL DISTRICT PROCEDURE

Alternative Forms of Student Transportation (E-Bikes, electronic scooters, etc.)

Associated policies: JIC, JICD

Updated: June 2026

This procedure was adopted on June 1, 2026, and goes into effect for the 2026-2027 school year and applies to all students, staff, and visitors of the Hudson School District.

Objective

The Alternative Forms of Student Transportation procedure for Hudson School District has been established to promote the safe and responsible use of E-bikes, electronic scooters, etc. on school property and in adjacent areas. The primary goal is to ensure the safety of all individuals, including students, staff, motorists, pedestrians, and surrounding neighborhood residents.

Bringing an E-bike, electronic scooter, etc. to school is a privilege. Students violating this procedure may have their E-bike or other motorized vehicle permit revoked and face other disciplinary consequences.

This procedure also clarifies that the school district shall not be held responsible for lost or stolen E-bikes, etc.

I. General Guidelines

Alternative Forms of Student Transportation Permits

- Alternative Forms of Student Transportation are allowed on school premises ONLY IF the E-bike (or other forms of electronic transportation) operator possesses a valid permit issued annually by their school of enrollment in the Hudson School District.
- The permits are eligible to students who have met the following requirements:
 1. This procedure has been signed and submitted to the school by the student and the student's legal parent or guardian.

2. The student agrees to display their permit sticker on their equipment and show their permit upon request by a School Official or a School Resource Officer. Failure to do so could result in disciplinary action.
3. The student does not have a history within the school of disciplinary issues which would constitute him or her a high risk or hazard by riding an E-bike or other alternative forms of student transportation on school grounds.

Once awarded a permit, students will receive a pass and a sticker. Said pass must be kept on the student's person while operating said transportation on school grounds. Said sticker must be visibly displayed on said vehicle.

Behavioral Expectations

E-bike and alternative forms of transportation operators must adhere to all traffic rules and regulations, as well as any laws specific to electric bikes, while using their E-bike in the proximity of and on school property. Only some of these rules, regulations, and laws are covered in this procedure, but students are expected to know and follow all of them.

Any student observed violating state or local laws or driving recklessly or dangerously may face disciplinary action.

Types of E-bikes Allowed on Campus

All E-bikes and other alternative forms of transportation must be:

- In a class that the student is legally allowed to ride.
- In the manufacturer's original condition. Modifications are prohibited.
- Properly maintained and in good working order to ensure safe operation, including, but not limited to, brakes, wheels, tires, and batteries. If there is any malfunction or damage, students should stop riding their E-bike or alternative form of transportation immediately.

On-Campus Operation

- Electric bikes, etc. may be operated on school premises only in designated areas.
- Designated areas include the roadway of Memorial Drive and all other school and district designated areas, following all applicable rules of the road.
- Riding electric bikes, etc. on sidewalks or other grassy areas is always strictly prohibited.

Speed Limits

- While on school premises and in designated areas where riding an electric bike is permitted, E-bikes, etc. shall not exceed a speed limit of 15 miles per hour.
- On the public roadways surrounding the school campus, E-bikes must follow all the rules and regulations pertaining to "NH RSA 265:144-a" Electric Bicycles.

Parking

- Alternative Forms of Transportation must be parked in designated bike racks or storage areas.
- Parking of Alternative Forms of Transportation in areas obstructing pedestrian or vehicular traffic is not allowed.

Accountability

- Individuals are responsible for their electric bikes, electric scooters, etc. while on school premises. The school district is not liable for lost, stolen, or damaged electric transportation.

Safety Equipment

- Helmets: By state law, all students under 18 must wear a buckled helmet at all times, including on and off school property and when operating an E-bike or riding as a passenger on an E-bike.
- Headlamps, Taillights, & Reflectors: By state law, all E-bikes must be equipped with and use headlamps, taillights, and reflectors during darkness.

II. Enforcement & Consequences

- School administrators, staff, and School Resource Officers are authorized to enforce this procedure.
- Violations of this procedure may result in disciplinary actions, including but not limited to warnings, confiscation of electric bikes, revocation of the student's E-bike permit or other permit, parental notification, suspension or expulsion, or other appropriate measures as determined by school authorities.

III. Review & Amendment

This procedure will be periodically reviewed and revised as necessary to ensure its effectiveness in promoting safety. The school board or relevant administrative authorities may amend this procedure at any time.

IV. Acknowledgement & Signatures

I have read and understand the Hudson School Districts Electric Bike Procedure. I agree that bringing an E-bike to school is a privilege, and I agree to follow all aspects of this procedure.

Student Name: _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____