

# WHY HAVE I BEEN GIVEN THIS NOTICE?

## IT IS CURRENTLY AGAINST THE LAW TO RIDE AN E-SCOOTER OR E-SKATEBOARD

The law is clear, you can buy one but you can't ride it on any Victorian public road, cycle lane or footpath. The only place an e-scooter /e-skateboard can legally be used is on private land.

## WHY IS THIS?

E-scooters that are over 200 watts or can travel at more than 10km/h, and e-skateboards that are used on public roads are classified as motor vehicles and subject to the same legal requirements, such as:

- Licensing
- Registration
- Road Rules
- Drink/Drug driving laws
- Safety standards

Most e-scooters/e-skateboards do not have number plates, speedometers, signals or warning devices and don't always have visible rear lights so they can't be registered.

## WHAT HAPPENS IF I'M STOPPED BY POLICE?

The Road Safety Act allows police to stop riders and require them to state their name and address, as well as enforce the applicable laws.

Victoria Police has the power to impound these vehicles and to issue on-the-spot fines for offences including:

- Unlicensed riding
- Unregistered vehicle
- Driving on a footpath
- Failing to wear a helmet
- Drink/drug driving
- Careless riding

**THE VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT AND SELECTED COUNCILS ARE PLANNING AN E-SCOOTER RIDE SHARE TRIAL FOR LATER IN 2021. WATCH FOR UPDATES.**



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