



E Scooters and Bicycle safety Policy

The school cares about your safety and this policy aims to ensure the safety of students who ride e-scooters and bikes to and from school premises. It outlines guidelines and expectations for safe riding practices, the use of appropriate safety equipment and emphasizes the importance of adhering to traffic rules and regulations.

Policy Guidelines:

Safety Equipment:

- a. All students must wear properly fitted helmets while riding e-scooters or bikes.
- b. Use of knee and elbow pads, as well as reflective clothing, is highly encouraged.

Age and Permission:

- a. Only students who are of an appropriate age and possess a valid license or permit, required by local regulations, are permitted to ride e-scooters and bikes.
- b. Written permission from parents or guardians is necessary for students to ride to and from school.

Traffic Rules:

- a. Students must adhere to all traffic rules and regulations, including stopping at red lights, yielding to pedestrians and using designated bike lanes or pathways.
- b. Students should stay in designated areas while riding within the school premises and avoid congested areas.
- c. It is strictly prohibited for students to ride e-scooters and bikes on main roads.**

Speed and Control:

- a. Students should ride at a safe and controlled speed, considering weather conditions and visibility.
- b. Avoid reckless behaviour such as swerving, performing stunts, or riding in a manner that endangers oneself or others.
- c. Students must stay updated with the latest RTA rules.

Parking :

- a. Bicycles and e-scooters should be parked in designated areas provided by the school.
- b. Proper locking mechanisms should be used to secure the vehicles to prevent theft or damage.

Parent Responsibility:

- a. Parents must familiarize themselves with the RTA rules and educate their children accordingly.**
- b. Parents are responsible for teaching their children the proper use of e-scooters and bikes, including safety guidelines, traffic rules, hand signals and the importance of wearing helmets and other safety gear.**
- c. Parents should ensure that their children understand the potential risks associated with using e-scooters and bikes and the consequences of reckless behaviour.**
- d. Parents should actively supervise their children when they are using e-scooters or bikes until they demonstrate a level of competence and understanding of safety rules.**
- f. Parents should regularly inspect their children's e-scooters or bikes to ensure they are in good working condition, including brakes, tires, lights, and reflectors.
- g. Parents should encourage their children to report any issues or malfunctions with their e-scooters or bikes promptly.

Monitoring and Enforcement:

- a. Regular monitoring of student compliance with this policy will be conducted.
- b. Non-compliance with safety guidelines may result in disciplinary action, including issuing of yellow card and temporary suspension from school.**
- c. Repeat offenders will have their E scooters and bikes confiscated permanently and will lose their right to ride to school.**

<https://www.thenationalnews.com/uae/transport/warning-over-reckless-use-of-e-scooters-as-uae-hospitals-report-spate-of-injuries-1.1178486>

The article provides information about the rise in the number of accidents caused by the usage of e-scooters.

Adherence to this policy will help maintain a safe environment for students and promote responsible riding practices.