

An electric bicycle is a bicycle equipped with an electric motor that may be activated in order to assist with or replace pedaling. This guide is designed to help guests and residents understand the do-and-don'ts of e-bike safety, as well as the rules and regulations that come with navigating Huntington beach by bicycle.

ELECTRIC BICYCLES

CLASS 1:

Only pedal-assist; the motor aids up to speeds of **20 mph**.

CLASS 2:

Pedal-assist **or** throttle; the motor aids up to speeds of **20 mph**.

CLASS 3:

Only pedal assist; the motor aids up to speeds of **28 mph**.

MOPEDS

A motorized bicycle or "**moped**" has **no pedals** for propulsion by human power, may either be electric **or** gas powered, and is capable of reaching maximum speeds of **30 mph**.

DRIVER'S LICENSE, INSURANCE AND REGISTRATION REQUIRED?

E-BIKE: NO

MOPED: YES



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BICYCLE + PEDESTRIAN SAFETY CLASS

The Huntington Beach Police Department began a Bicycle Safety Class in 1972 to educate juvenile bike riders on the rules of the road and the proper way to ride a bike. Now, the class is open to all Huntington Beach residents and is taught by a Huntington Beach Police Traffic Officer. Anyone under 18 years old must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Bicycle safety classes will be held the 2nd Saturday of every other month at 8:00 AM (January, March, May, July, September, November).

To attend the classes or for additional information, please call the Traffic Unit at (714) 536-5675 to reserve your spot. Please leave a message with your name and telephone number.

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Request non-emergency police service: (714) 960-8825
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SAFETY AND REGULATIONS GUIDE



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RULES FOR SPECIAL CITY AREAS

DOWNTOWN HUNTINGTON BEACH

No riding on the sidewalk in a business district, adjacent to schools, churches, recreational centers, or playgrounds (HBMC 10.84.160)

BEACH AND PIER

No riding on the beach, beach service road, or pier allowed (HBMC 13.08.280(a))

CITY PARKS

10 MPH maximum speed, 5 MPH maximum when pedestrians present (HBMC 13.48.061)

BEACH BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN PATH

10 MPH maximum speed, 5 MPH maximum when pedestrians present (HBMC 13.08.280(c)(1))

WALK bikes when yellow lights flashing (HBMC 13.08.280(c)(2))



DO'S OF E-BIKE SAFETY



Ride with the flow of traffic (CVC 21650.1)



Stop at red lights and stop signs (CVC 21453, CVC 22450)



Yield to pedestrians (CVC 21950 (a))



Wear a properly-fitted helmet (CVC 21212 (a))



Use hand signals when turning or stopping (CVC 22108)

DONT'S OF E-BIKE SAFETY



Use cell phone (CVC 23123.5)



Use headphones/earbuds in both ears (CVC 27400)



Allow improper passengers (CVC 21721 (h))



Operate a bicycle without the required lights and reflectors (CVC 21201)



Ride while under the influence of drugs or alcohol (CVC 21200.5)

BICYCLE SAFETY TIPS

BE PREDICTABLE

and act like a driver of a vehicle

BE CAUTIOUS

when approaching intersections, driveways, and going between cars

BE VISIBLE

especially at night

BE PREPARED

and pay attention, learn to expect the unexpected

FOLLOW THE RULES OF THE ROAD

Alert pedestrians when overtaking:

"On your left/right" "Excuse me"

"Coming through" "Behind you"

Ring your bell

Honk your horn

