



# SIMI VALLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT E-BIKE SAFETY & LAWS

KNOW THE DIFFERENCE. RIDE SAFE. OBEY THE LAW.



**E-BIKES ARE NOT MOTOR VEHICLES**  
No license, registration or insurance required when used legally.

## CLASS 1

PEDAL-ASSIST ONLY



- Max speed: 20 MPH
- Motor works only when pedaling
- Where allowed: Streets, bike lanes and most bike paths.
- Helmet required under 18

## CLASS 2

THROTTLE-ASSISTED



- Max speed: 20 MPH
- Motor can power the bike without pedaling
- Where allowed: Streets, bike lanes and most bike paths.
- Helmet required under 18

## CLASS 3

PEDAL-ASSIST ONLY



- Max speed: 28 MPH
- Must have a speedometer
- Rider must be 16 years or older
- Where allowed: Streets and bike lanes only. Not allowed on most bike paths.
- Helmet required all ages



### IMPORTANT CALIFORNIA E-BIKE LAWS

- E-bikes must have operable pedals and a motor under 750 watts.
- Must obey all traffic laws (traffic signals, stop signs, etc.)
- Required lighting for night riding: white front light and red rear light or reflector.
- Brakes must disengage motor when applied.
- Manufacturer label with class and speed must remain attached.
- Local rules may apply. Check Simi Valley Municipal Code.

### E-MOTORCYCLES "E-MOTO" BIKES



#### NOT LEGAL E-BIKES. NOT ALLOWED ON PUBLIC STREETS, BIKE LANES OR SIDEWALKS IN SIMI VALLEY.

- Often exceed 750 watts
  - Capable of speeds above 28 MPH
  - May not have pedals
- These vehicles are considered motor vehicles and require registration, licensing and insurance.

### SAFETY TIPS

- Always wear a helmet.
- Ride with traffic and obey all traffic laws.
- Be visible—use lights and reflective gear.
- Ride at safe speeds and be aware of your surroundings.
- Parents: Ensure youth riders use properly classified e-bikes.



**RIDE RESPONSIBLY. STAY SAFE.**

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Together, we can keep Simi Valley safe for everyone.

## FOR QUESTIONS OR TO REPORT ILLEGAL USE, CONTACT THE SIMI VALLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT



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