



E-SCOOTERS, E-BIKES, and E-DIRT BIKES in the Village of Lake Zurich

E-bikes, e-scooters, and e-dirt bikes continue to grow in popularity in Lake Zurich. *It is essential that all riders - and their families* – understand and comply with Illinois laws and local ordinances to ensure safety on our streets. Parents and Guardians: keeping children safe starts with you. If your child can't ride it, don't buy it!

E-SCOOTERS & MOTORIZED SKATEBOARDS



Lake Zurich Village Ordinance 7-1-8 states that no person shall operate or ride a motorized skateboard on or within any of the following places within the Village: private streets and rights-of-way, public streets and rights-of-way, public sidewalks, public parking lots or areas, public parks, and any other public property.



"Motorized skateboard" means any device that has a deck or platform on which a person may stand or sit, with two (2) or more wheels, and that is self-propelled by any type of motor or engine. This includes e-scooters.

Village ordinances prohibit the use of e-scooters and motorized skateboards.

E-BIKE CLASSIFICATIONS

Illinois designates three classes of low-speed electric bicycles:

- Class 1: Pedal assist: Only provides motor assistance if the rider is pedaling. Maximum speed: 20 mph. No age requirement.
- Class 2: Throttle assist: Provides motor assistance without requiring the rider to pedal. Maximum speed: 20 mph. No age requirement.
- Class 3: Pedal assist: Only provides motor assistance if the rider is pedaling. Maximum speed: 28 mph.

***Class 3 riders must be 16+ per state law.**

E-BIKE RULES OF THE ROAD

- E-bike riders must follow the same rules of the road as bicycle riders, including obeying traffic control devices.
- E-bikes may not be ridden on sidewalks.

Spot the Difference: E-Bikes

Class 1



Class 2



Class 3



Not E-Bikes



E-DIRT BIKES



There are a growing number of children and adults operating high-powered electric dirt bikes and e-motorcycles in Lake Zurich. Many of the high-powered electric dirt bikes and e-motorcycles DO NOT meet the legal definition of a low-speed electric bicycle under Illinois law.

E-dirt bikes are not street legal and are not allowed on any public streets and rights-of-way, public sidewalks, public parking lots or areas, public parks, and any other public property.

High-powered electric vehicles pose significant risk – especially to young, unlicensed riders.