



Help for non-English speakers

If you need help to understand the information in this policy, please contact Hoppers Crossing Secondary College 9974 7777.

PURPOSE

This policy aims to ensure the safe use of e-bikes and e-scooters at school in line with Victorian laws and to maintain a safe school environment. Students and families are expected to follow legal requirements, including age limits, helmet use, speed restrictions, and where devices can be ridden. Under current laws, students under 16 are **not permitted** to ride e-scooters.

For more details, visit: VicRoads – E-Scooters in Victoria

SCOPE

This policy applies to all school staff, students, volunteers, contractors, visitors, and community members engaged in school activities, both onsite and offsite, including camps and excursions.

POLICY STATEMENT

At Hoppers Crossing Secondary College, we are committed to promoting a safe, respectful, and legally compliant environment for all students, staff, and families. As part of this commitment, our E-Bike and E-Scooter Policy outlines clear expectations and procedures regarding the use of personal mobility devices in line with Victorian road safety laws.

E-SCOOTERS

Only students over the age of 16 are permitted to ride e-scooters to school. This policy is designed to ensure the safety of our school community and to support students and families in understanding and complying with relevant legislation. Riders must wear an approved helmet and follow standard road rules including not riding on school grounds. E-Scooters should be stored in the bike enclosures provided.

E-BIKES

Students who ride e-bikes to school must ensure they meet Victorian legal requirements. Only e-bikes with a maximum power output of 200 watts (or 250 watts for pedal-assist models that comply with Australian standards) are permitted. The motor must cut out at 25 km/h. Riders must wear an approved helmet and follow standard road rules including not riding on school grounds. E-Bikes should be stored in the bike enclosures provided.

POLICY IMPLEMENTATION

Hoppers Crossing Secondary College will implement the following procedures to support the safe management of e-bikes and e-scooters, in line with current Victorian legislation and school policy.

Prohibited Use

Students must not bring or ride e-scooters Or e-bikes that do not comply with Victorian road laws, on school grounds or during school-related activities such as excursions, camps, or interschool events.

This includes:

- Riding to or from school.
- Storing an e-scooter on school property.
- Riding an e-bike that does not comply with Victoria road laws.

Response Measures

If a student is found to have brought or ridden an e-scooter or e-bike to or from the College in contravention with Victorian road laws:

- The device will be confiscated.
- It will be securely held in the school until it is collected by a parent or guardian.
- A conversation will occur with the student and family to reinforce the legal and safety expectations.

Repeat or deliberate breaches may result in further consequences in line with the Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy and possible Victoria Police involvement.

Communication

- The school will communicate with the school community during an incident through pre-identified channels (Compass, SMS, email, phone, or letters).
- School Assembly and student briefings.

EVALUATION AND REVIEW

This policy will be reviewed:

- After any related incident at school to support continuous improvement; and
- In response to any updates to Victorian legislation or VicRoads guidance regarding e-scooter or e-bike use.

REVIEW CYCLE

Policy last reviewed	November 2025
Approved by	Principal and Hoppers Crossing Secondary College Council
Next scheduled review date	November 2027