

Project Background

At its meeting held on April 26, 2021, City Council considered the Electric Scooters Framework Viability Review [report](#), and resolved:

- “1. That the Administration begin work on this project as part of the 2022 department work plans, with work beginning the spring 2022 with a go-live pilot project date of spring 2023 for electric scooters; and
2. That city Council write a letter to the Minister responsible for SGI to request an exemption for electric scooters similar to the exemption that exists for Electric bicycles.”

On September 22, 2022, the Province of Saskatchewan released *The Limited Speed Motor Vehicle Regulations, 2022*, which focuses on e-scooter use. The regulations state the following:

- Helmets will be required.
- Drivers must be at least 16 years of age.
- Maximum operating speed of 24 km/h.
- Restricts use to streets with posted speed limit of 50 km/h or lower.
- If designated bicycle lanes exist on a street, then e-scooter must utilize the bicycle lane while operating on that street.
- Legal operation is all subject to a municipality enacting a bylaw governing operation on the streets of said municipality.

The Limited Speed Motor Vehicle Regulations, 2022 are attached.

At its meeting held on November 21, 2022, City Council considered the Shared Electric Kick Scooter Program Pilot [report](#) and resolved, in part:

- “1. That the shared electric kick scooter pilot project regulatory framework as outlined in this report be approved but that the scope of the project includes two vendors instead of the one proposed in the first year of the electric kick scooter pilot project.
2. That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate bylaw amendments to enable the pilot project to proceed; and
3. That the designated parking area fee structure be approved.”

At its meeting held on March 5, 2024, the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation received an information [report](#) on the first year of the shared e-scooter pilot project.



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Order in Council 423/2022

Approved and Ordered: 15 September 2022


Lieutenant Governor

On the recommendation of the undersigned, the Lieutenant Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, makes *The Limited Speed Motor Vehicle Regulations* in accordance with the attached Schedule.


President of the Executive Council

(For administrative purposes only.)

Recommended by: Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Government Insurance

Authority: *The Traffic Safety Act, section 287*

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SCHEDULE to OC 423/2022

PART 1
Preliminary Matters

Title

1 These regulations may be cited as *The Limited Speed Motor Vehicle Regulations*.

Definitions and interpretation

2(1) In these regulations:

“**Act**” means *The Traffic Safety Act*;

“**electric kick scooter**” means a limited speed motor vehicle that:

- (a) has up to four wheels that are no more than 430 millimetres in diameter and that are placed along the same longitudinal axis with one or two wheels at the front of the vehicle and one or two wheels at the rear of the vehicle;
- (b) has a platform for standing along the longitudinal axis between the front wheels and the rear wheels;
- (c) has a steering handlebar that acts directly on the steerable wheels at the front of the vehicle;
- (d) has one or more electric motors that:
 - (i) are powered solely by one or more electric batteries;
 - (ii) have a continuous power output rating that in total does not exceed 500 watts;
 - (iii) are not capable of propelling the vehicle at a speed that exceeds 24 kilometres per hour on a clean, paved and level surface; and
 - (iv) cease to propel the vehicle forward if the accelerator is released or if the brakes are applied;
- (e) weighs no more than 45 kilograms when unladen, including the motor and batteries;
- (f) is equipped with a braking system that can bring the vehicle to a complete stop within 9 metres of the point at which the brakes are applied while the vehicle is operated at a speed of 24 kilometres per hour on a clean, paved and level surface; and

(g) is not equipped with:

- (i) a seat or surface or structure that could be used as a seat;
- (ii) pedals; or
- (iii) any structure enclosing it;

“limited speed motor vehicle”, subject to subsection (2), means any motor vehicle that has a maximum attainable speed of less than 32 kilometres per hour on a clean, paved and level surface;

“park” includes a provincial park as defined in *The Parks Act* and a regional park as defined in *The Regional Parks Act, 2013*.

(2) A limited speed motor vehicle does not include a golf cart or a power assisted bicycle.

PART 2

Vehicle Registration and Driver’s Licences

Class of vehicle established

3 A class of vehicles to be called “Class LSMV” is established consisting of limited speed motor vehicles.

No requirement for certificate of registration or registration permit

4 Subsection 57(1) of the Act does not apply to the operation of Class LSMV vehicles.

No requirement to hold a driver’s licence

5 Subsection 32(1) of the Act does not apply to the operation of Class LSMV vehicles.

PART 3

Operation of Class LSMV Vehicles

No operation of Class LSMV vehicles on a highway

6(1) No person shall operate a limited speed motor vehicle that is not an electric kick scooter on a highway.

(2) No person shall operate an electric kick scooter on a highway unless:

(a) the highway is within a municipality and the municipality has enacted bylaws that govern the operation of electric kick scooters on that highway; or

(b) the highway is within a park and that park has enacted regulations or bylaws that govern the operation of electric kick scooters on that highway.

(3) No person shall operate an electric kick scooter unless the person is 16 years of age or older.

Municipal bylaws

- 7(1) Subject to these regulations, a municipality may enact bylaws permitting the operation of electric kick scooters on a highway.
- (2) If a municipality enacts bylaws pursuant to subsection (1), those bylaws must:
- (a) specify the highway or the part of the highway where electric kick scooters may be operated;
 - (b) prohibit the operation of electric kick scooters:
 - (i) on any highway or part of a highway with a speed limit of greater than 50 kilometres per hour unless that highway is equipped with a designated bicycle lane and the bylaws require electric kick scooters to be operated within that bicycle lane; and
 - (ii) for the purpose of crossing a highway, on a crosswalk unless a bylaw of the municipality permits the operation of bicycles on that crosswalk; and
 - (c) require electric kick scooters to be operated in a designated bicycle lane if a highway or any part of a highway has a speed limit no greater than 50 kilometres per hour and has a designated bicycle lane.
- (3) A municipality must notify the administrator as soon as is practicable after enacting, amending or repealing bylaws described in this section.

Park bylaws or regulations

- 8(1) Subject to these regulations, a park authority may enact bylaws or regulations permitting the operation of electric kick scooters on a highway.
- (2) If a park enacts bylaws or regulations pursuant to subsection (1), those bylaws or regulations must:
- (a) specify the highway or the part of the highway where electric kick scooters may be operated;
 - (b) prohibit the operation of electric kick scooters:
 - (i) on any highway with a speed limit of greater than 50 kilometres per hour unless that highway is equipped with a designated bicycle lane and the bylaws or regulations require electric kick scooters to be operated within that bicycle lane; and
 - (ii) for the purpose of crossing a highway, on a crosswalk unless the bylaws or regulations of the park permit the operation of bicycles on that crosswalk; and
 - (c) require electric kick scooters to be operated in a designated bicycle lane if a highway or any part of a highway has a speed limit no greater than 50 kilometres per hour and has a designated bicycle lane.
- (3) A park must notify the administrator as soon as is practicable after enacting, amending, or repealing bylaws or regulations described in this section.

Act and regulations prevail

9 The Act and these regulations prevail in the case of any conflict between the Act or these regulations and:

- (a) bylaws enacted in accordance with section 7; or
- (b) bylaws or regulations enacted pursuant to section 8.

PART 4

Vehicle Standards and Equipment for Electric Kick Scooters

Operation requirements

10 No person shall operate an electric kick scooter on a highway unless the electric kick scooter meets all the requirements of this Part.

Equipment standards

11 An electric kick scooter must:

- (a) be equipped with a bell or horn;
- (b) have its battery and motor securely fastened to the electric kick scooter in a manner that prevents movement of the battery and motor in any direction relative to the electric kick scooter; and
- (c) have all electrical terminals completely insulated or covered.

Lights

12(1) No person shall operate an electric kick scooter on a highway between half an hour after sunset and half an hour before sunrise unless the electric kick scooter is equipped with:

- (a) a lamp that emits a white or amber light facing to the front of the electric kick scooter and that under normal atmospheric conditions is visible from at least 150 metres in the direction the electric kick scooter is pointed; and
- (b) a lamp that emits a visible red light facing to the rear of the electric kick scooter.

(2) The lights required pursuant to subsection (1) may be:

- (a) attached to the electric kick scooter; or
- (b) carried or worn by the person operating the electric kick scooter.

PART 5

Safety Equipment for Electric Kick Scooters

Helmet

13(1) Subject to subsection (2), every person who operates an electric kick scooter on a highway must wear a helmet that bears a manufacturer label to indicate compliance with one of the following standards:

(a) a motorcycle helmet that meets one of the following standards:

- (i) Canadian Standards Association;
- (ii) British Standards Institution;
- (iii) American National Standards Institute;
- (iv) United States Department of Transport;
- (v) Snell Memorial Foundation;
- (vi) Economic Commission for Europe;

(b) a bicycle safety helmet that meets one of the following standards or applications:

- (i) Canadian Standards Association;
- (ii) American National Standards Institute;
- (iii) American Society of Testing and Material Standards;
- (iv) Snell Memorial Foundation.

(2) The administrator may approve a helmet for use on an electric kick scooter that does not meet the requirements of subsection (1) if the administrator is satisfied that the helmet is safe and that it is not contrary to the public interest to do so.

(3) If a person operating an electric kick scooter requires a helmet, that helmet must be securely held in position on the person's head by the straps and fasteners supplied by the manufacturer.

PART 6

Operating Standards and Rules for Electric Kick Scooters

Use and operation

14 No person shall operate an electric kick scooter on a highway:

- (a) abreast of another vehicle or motor vehicle on a highway;
- (b) without at least one hand on the steering handlebar of the electric kick scooter;
- (c) without sounding the bell or horn attached to the electric kick scooter when it is reasonably necessary to notify cyclists, pedestrians, or others of the person's approach;

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- (d) in a position other than standing on the platform of the electric kick scooter;
- (e) while transporting another person on the electric kick scooter;
- (f) while towing another person, vehicle, motor vehicle, bicycle, or device;
- (g) contrary to any bylaws enacted by a municipality;
- (h) contrary to any bylaws or regulations enacted by a park.

General rules

- 15(1) No person shall leave an electric kick scooter unattended in a location intended for the movement of traffic.
- (2) No person shall allow an electric kick scooter to be towed by another person, vehicle, motor vehicle, bicycle, or device.
- (3) In addition to the rights and duties imposed by these regulations, Part XVI of the Act applies with any necessary modification to a person who operates an electric kick scooter on a highway.

PART 7 Coming into Force

Coming into force

- 16 These regulations come into force on the day on which they are filed with the Registrar of Regulations.