Stakeholder Feedback Appendix 4

1. From Saskatoon Cycles:

The one part that I find awkward and hard to square with regulations, presumably at least partly for the purposes of creating effective alternate transportation mechanisms, is not allowing you to ride across a street on crosswalks. Which puts the rider in one of two unenviable positions. Stopping, dismounting, walking across the street and getting back on to continue. Or swerving into a traffic lane from the end of the multi use path so as to avoid the crosswalk but enabling the continued momentum of your ride. I would really like to hear the rationale for that regulation for both scooters and bicycles.

2. From Broadwayyxe:

Thank you for this detailed information.

The Broadway district is in support of alternative modes of transportation, especially foot, bike and scooter, and we support the proposed framework.

On this topic, does the city have signage like the examples below, but including scooters:





We are furthering Broadway's brand as a "walk and ride friendly shared-space" district. This will be more evident this summer, during the Broadway bridge closure.

We would greatly welcome the installation of signage furthering this position.

- 3. Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools responded with no issues.
- 4. Sutherland BID responded with no issues.
- 5. Saskatchewan Health Authority
 - Health and injury are commonly sited as concerns with the use of escooters –
 both to the operator as well as other vulnerable road uses such a people walking
 - o From the Saskatoon injury health data regarding shared escooter pilot
 - Weekends had a slightly higher injury presentation to Saskatoon Emergency Departments
 - 20-39 year age category was the majority of patients for both pilot years
 - During the shared escooter pilot (2023 and 2024), there were injuries presented to the Emergency Department, however, overall for both years, they accounted for 0.4% of ED visits
 - If regulated, there can be reduced risk to the escooter operator and others
 - We support the proposed framework for Saskatoon with the addition of the following:
 - Slow-down zone encourage speed limitation to 15 km/hr (as per Regina) as 24 kn/hr is still relatively fast, especially when passing other vulnerable road/path users
 - Encourage that the framework includes the slow-down zone on <u>any</u> multiuse path within the city, not only on Meewasin
 - Explicitly state that traffic laws need to be followed
 - Do not use a phone while operating
 - Not to be operated while impaired
 - No passengers
 - In regards to the Street Parking, there are a number of differences depending how the situation (residential areas vs residential parking permit areas vs in park parking area) – how will this be effectively communicated and made aware to the community/escooter operator?

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to us.

Thanks for including us on this to provide feedback,



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March 21, 2025

Dear Stakeholder,

Re: Private E-scooters

Thank you for your previous engagement with the City of Saskatoon regarding the shared e-scooter pilot project. City Council unanimously supported the transition to permitting shared e-scooters on the public right-of-way every 'summer season' and we are actively in the procurement phase to make that happen.

We are now shifting our focus to private e-scooters. These are devices privately purchased and used as a transportation method throughout our City. Although they are currently not legal on our streets, many people do currently use them so we are in the process of developing a recommendation to provide City Council on their future in our City.

There are some similarities with shared e-scooters. On September 22, 2022, the Province of Saskatchewan released *The Limited Speed Motor Vehicle Regulations, 2022*, which focuses on e-scooter use (both shared and private). 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 street 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 of the streets of said municipality.

Of course, there are differences between shared and private e-scooters. Although the physical appearance between shared and private e-scooters are very similar, they operate in very different circumstances. The following regulatory framework items developed for the shared e-scooter program pilot are not applicable to a private e-scooter:

- Operating season
- Fleet size
- Vendor customer service
- Vendor technological enhancements (intoxication/cognitive test, pedestrian safety, beginner riders, continuous riding, helmet use, parking compliance, age limit compliance, and no-sidewalk riding compliance)

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Please find attached three documents:

- 1. The Limited Speed Motor Vehicle Regulations
- 2. Approaches in Other Jurisdictions
- 3. Proposed Regulatory Framework for Private E-scooters

We are soliciting comments regarding private e-scooters until 5:00 p.m. on April 11, 2025. These can be provided via e-mail to me at jay.magus@saskatoon.ca. Alternately, I can be reached via phone at 306-975-3171.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Regards,

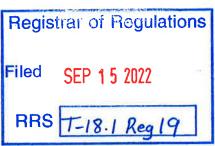
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Jay Magus, P.Eng. Director of Transportation

Appendix 1



Province of Saskatchewan



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

JAG DM 31-08-22



SCHEDULE to 0C 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

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- (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.

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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.

 Couldn't find any rules about parking on the Pathway Network 	 Maximum speed of 20 km/h on pathway network Helmets not required Keep right except for passing 	 Pathway network only 	Yes	Calgary
N/A	N/A	N/A	No	Red Deer
N/A	N/A	N/A	N _o	Edmonton
	as directed by any traffic signals, signs or other traffic control devices. If a hook turn is unsafe or impracticable, you can always dismount and walk through an intersection like a pedestrian. • Do not operate e-scooter if impaired or distracted	No riding on a sidewalkNo riding on a crosswalk		
	 Use bell of foll when approaching or passing Must use turn signals "Hook" left turns: to turn left at an intersection, you must pass straight through an intersection staying as far right as practicable then stop and turn left on degrees, before proceeding forward. 	 right as practicable. Allowed on roadways with speed limit over 50 km/h only in a bike lane. 		
No info found	 Be at least 16 years old Helmets required No passengers allowed (one person per scooter) No towing Use hell or born when approaching or passing 	 Allowed on roadways with speed limit 50 km/h or less. Must ride in bike lane if one exists or as far over to the 	Yes	Victoria
 In designated parking spots for scooters and motorcycles 	 Be at least 16 years old Helmets required Use bell or horn when approaching or passing No passengers allowed (one person per scooter) No towing Must use turn signals "Hook" left turns: to turn left at an intersection, you must pass straight through an intersection staying as far right as practicable then stop and turn left 90-degrees, before proceeding forward as directed by any traffic signals, signs or other traffic control devices. If a hook turn is unsafe or impracticable, you can always dismount and walk through an intersection like a pedestrian. Do not operate e-scooter if impaired or distracted 	 All greenways, All greenways, bikeways and bike lanes Seawall and park paths where bikes are allowed No riding on a sidewalk No riding on a crosswalk 	6	SCI ICCCA A CO
Parking	Highlights of regulations		Private e-scooters allowed?	City

		 km/h Roadways with speed limit over 50 km/h only in bike lanes 	 Be at least 16 years old Must be sober and drug-free No passengers No towing 	 In designated parking areas Not on pathway Not on a driving lane Not in a paid parking area,
		in bike lanes15 km/h in designated slow-down	No towing	 Not in a paid parking area, loading zone, time-restricted area
		areas/pathways		 Not in a manner that obstructs
				pedestrians
				 Not in a way that impedes
				traffic from moving on the
				•
Winnipeg	No	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hamilton	Yes	 Roads with speed limit 	Must be at least 16 years old	 Can be parked in same
		of 50 km/h or less	 Must wear a helmet if under 18 years old 	locations as a bike.
		 Bike lanes on any road 	No passengers	 Cannot obstruct pedestrian
		 Multi-use pathways 	No towing	and/or vehicle movement on a
		adjacent to a road	Must not be under the influence	roadway or sidewalk
		Some approved and	No sidewalk riding	
	Y	signed multi-use trails		
Ottawa	Yes	 Multi-use pathways 	Must be at least 16 years old	 Allowed in designated parking
		 Cycling facilities 	 Maximum speed of e-scooter is 20 km/h 	areas
		 Roads with a speed 	No sidewalk riding	 Not allowed to park in such a
		limit 50 km/h or lower	 Helmets not mandatory for riders 18+ 	manner that obstructs the flow
			No passengers	of pedestrian, vehicular or
			• Can't be impaired	cyclist traffic

Item	Details
Regulations	Operating Speed: maximum of 24 km/hr
(requirements	Age Limit: minimum of 16 years or older
determined by the	Helmet: required
Province)	· ·
Specifications	Bell or sound-making devices
	Lights on the front and back that turn on automatically
Where can you ride?	Allowed on:
	o Multi-use trails.
	o Cycle tracks
	o Protected bicycle lanes
	 Streets with posted speed limit of 50 km/hr or lower
	No-riding zones:
	o Sidewalks
	 Streets with posted speed limits greater thabn 50 km/hr
	 Saskatoon Transit vehicles, bus mall, bus zones
	o Civic square
	 Skate parks
	○ Spray parks
	 City parkades
	o Buildings
	Slow-down zone: e-scooters must slow down to 50 km/hr when being
	ridden on the Meewasin Trail.
Parking Requirements	Multi-Use Trail Parking
	 In the Furniture Zone: must no obstruct or interfere with the
	Sidewalk Zone.
	o In no Furniture Zone, must:
	Not impede Sidewalk Zone or Frontage Zone to access any
	buildings.
	Provide at least 2.0 metres of Sidewalk Zone
	Not park where these requirements cannot be met.
	Street Parking:
	 In residential areas: wherever a vehicle may be legally parked.
	 In residential parking permit areas: Allowed within 10 metres of an
	intersection.
	 In pay parking area: in furniture zone or Within 10 metres of an
	intersection where the e-scooter is parked immediately adjacent to a
	time restricted parking area
	No-Parking Zones:
	 Bus terminals and bus zones, except in designated parking areas.
	 Loading zones.
	Accessible parking zones.
	 Wheelchair ramps, bicycle ramps or curb ramps.
	o Bridges.
	Centre median islands.
	o Fire hydrants.
	 Within 1.5 metres of an access to a garage or driveway.

- Street furniture that requires pedestrian access (benches, pay parking stations, bus shelters, pedestrian push buttons)
- Within shrub beds or within 0.5 metres of trees.
- Park Pathway Parking:
 - o Must no park on the pathway.
 - Within 1.0 metre of either side of a pathway and allow for at least 2.0 metres of unobstructed space for pedestrian movements.
 - Must not be parked within shrub beds or within 0.5 metres of a tree.