

I. SETTING

UC Davis Health

II. PURPOSE

This section outlines the policy and requirements for safely operating any micromobility devices (e.g., bikes, skateboards, scooters, etc.) within the UC Davis Health grounds.

III. POLICY

UC Davis Health supports alternative mobility options to best serve the needs of the campus community. Safety remains a top priority, and everyone is encouraged to Share the Road. Vehicles and pedestrians should be aware of increasing traffic. Motorized micromobility device operators must review and adhere to this policy.

A. Equipment

1. Headphones

Regardless of hands-free device use, micromobility riders and drivers are required to keep one ear free of headphones.

2. Helmets

Although all micromobility riders are encouraged to wear helmets, anyone under 18 years of age must wear a properly fitted and fastened helmet that meets the standards described in California Vehicle Code Section 27803.

3. Reflectors & Lights

While reflectors and a front white light are required by law, a rear light is recommended.

B. Traffic Rules

Making the curb accessible to all is not only kind, but necessary. Paratransit carriers, including taxis, may have to enter the bikeway to drop off individuals requiring mobile support. Be a good neighbor and give everyone room.

1. Bike Lanes

If you are riding next to parked cars or in a narrow lane, if you feel safer, take the lane and ride outside the door zone. If you feel safer outside the bike lane, you can ride in

other vehicle travel lanes. Merge when safe and signal when changing lanes.

2. Crosswalks

Leave crosswalks free and clear for pedestrians. Always stop behind the crosswalk line.

3. Passing

Although bike lanes are often on the right side of the road, micromobility riders and drivers are required to pass on the left.

4. Pedestrians Right-of-Way

All micromobility riders and drivers are required to yield to pedestrians regardless of whether they are in a crosswalk or not.

5. Sidewalks

No person shall ride a micromobility device on a sidewalk where a sign is posted indicating that bicycling is prohibited. Where micromobility devices on a sidewalk is permitted riders/drivers must yield the right-of-way to pedestrians by slowing down, stopping, or dismounting, as needed. Before passing a pedestrian traveling in the same direction, micromobility riders and drivers must give the pedestrian an audible warning.

6. Stops

Like vehicles, stop at stop signs and obey red lights.

7. Traffic

Ride in the same direction as traffic. Micromobility riders and drivers on the wrong block of a one-way street should walk their device on the sidewalk.

8. Storage/Parking

All micromobility riders and drivers are required to store and/or park their equipment in approved locations (e.g., bike rack, bike cage). At no time should the equipment be brought into the clinical environment.

IV. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Micromobility devices are for outside use only. Use of any micromobility device is prohibited inside UC Davis Health buildings.

A. Electric Scooters

1. Licensing

Operation of a motorized scooter requires a valid driver's license or instruction permit.

2. Operating

- a) The electric scooter is designed to be used by only one person at a time. There is no space for more people to join a rider for a tandem ride. Operate a scooter without carrying any package, bundle, or article that prevents the operator from keeping at least one hand upon the handlebars. Do not attach the scooter or yourself to any other vehicle on the roadway.
- b) Scooters should be left on the sidewalk parked as close to the street as possible. Always leave at least three feet of clearance between the scooter and the part of the sidewalk where most pedestrians walk. Parking scooters near public bike racks is acceptable.
- c) Do not leave scooters in areas causing disruptions to the normal pedestrian traffic flow. The best rule of thumb is to look around and make sure you are not leaving your scooter in any space that might impede or disrupt the flow of pedestrian or vehicular traffic.
 - 1) Do not block ramps and stairways.
 - 2) No scooter shall be parked, stored, or left to interfere with or impede the normal movement of disabled persons, pedestrians or bicyclists upon ramps, stairways, or curb cuts.
 - 3) Do not leave them where they might block railings used by pedestrians.
 - 4) Do not leave them where they might block access to bus stops or passenger waiting areas.
 - 5) Do not leave them where they would block access to outdoor benches, seats, or tables.
 - 6) Do not block traffic. No scooter shall be parked, stored, or left to block or impede the normal flow of traffic on any highway, roadway, street, alley, sidewalk, mall, patio, parking area or bicycle path on the University.
 - 7) Do not leave them in automobile parking spots.

V. PROCEDURES

Micromobility riders and drivers wishing to access bike lockers and bike shelters on the UC Davis Health System campus and its outer lying buildings must have a current Registration Sticker on their bikes. As part of Parking and Transportation Services' Green Commuter Program, registration of bicycles allows the department to further encourage the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions using alternative transportation options to the UC Davis Health System. To be an eligible Green Commuter, Registration Sticker must be active.

A. Cost

The cost for a Registration Sticker for newly registered micromobility devices is \$10. This sticker does not expire.

B. Parking and Transportation Services.

Registration Stickers are acquired by visiting the Parking and Transportation Services office Monday - Friday, during business hours. Micromobility devices must be present for registration.

When registering bicycles, employees need to provide the following information:

- 1) Color
- 2) Frame Size
- 3) Make/Model
- 4) Serial Number
- 5) Wheel Size

C. Owners of scooter wishing to use UC Davis Health bike rack, lockers and/or cages for securing storing their scooters must follow existing policy set for bicycles.

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