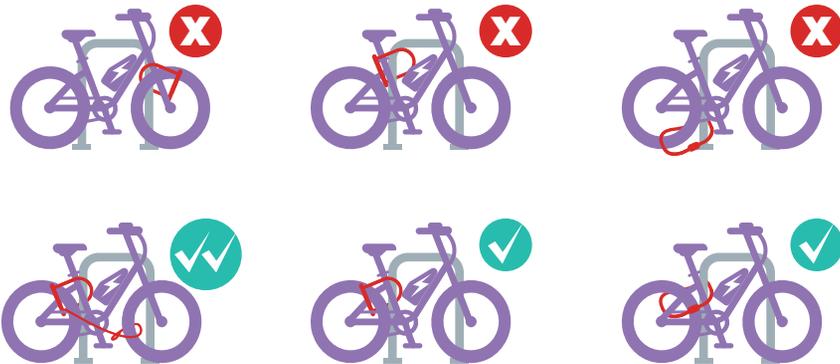


3 WHEN YOU ARRIVE...

- **Lock the frame + rear wheel** to an immovable rack.
- **Using a U-lock + cable is recommended** (cable-only can be cut easily).
- **Also cable the front wheel** to the lock or rack when possible.
- **Remove valuables:** Battery/display (if removable), lights, and any other accessories.
- **Pick strategic parking:** High-visibility, well-lit, and lots of foot traffic.

Locking Your E-bike



IS YOUR E-BIKE AN E-BIKE?



What Counts as an E-bike?

- **Working pedals + seat + motor < 750 Watts.**
- **Max assisted speed:** Up to **28 mph** (motor stops assisting at that point).
- **Three e-bike classes:** Class 1 & 2 (up to 20 mph), Class 3 (up to 28 mph).
- **Look for the label:** Class number + top assisted speed + motor wattage.
- **No label:** Assume it's **not street legal**.

Where can You Ride?

- **Roads + streets:** All classes where bikes are allowed.
- **Multi-use paths/trails:** Class 1 & 2 usually OK; Class 3 may be restricted locally.
- **Sidewalks/parks/beaches:** Often local rules—check your city/county for specific class and speed restrictions.
- **Local Requirements:** Age minimums and/or government issued photo ID may be required. Check local ordinances before you ride.

Alert!

Some devices that look like e-bikes are **not street legal**, or may require a license. Tuning any e-bike or device to go faster can lead to **tickets or fines**.



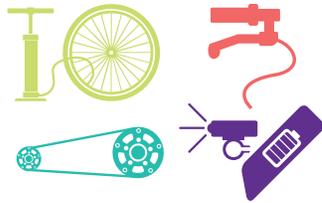
1 BEFORE YOU RIDE...

Is Your Helmet on Right?

- **Important: Helmets are required for riders under age 16** and recommended for everyone.
- Snug + level on head, securely fastened chinstrap.
- Look for NTA 8776 helmets—they provide full-coverage and reinforced impact protection to reduce the risk of head injury.

Quick E-Bike Check

- Tire pressure
- Brakes
- Crank and gears
- Lights and battery level



Plan your Route

Always plan your route in advance. Check your GPS for road closures. If you're not sure about the rules of the road, stick to designated bike paths.

Battery Safety:

E-bike batteries can **catch fire**.

- Use the charger that came with the battery.
- Plug it directly into the wall outlet, not an extension cord.
- Plug charger into wall before connecting to the battery.
- Charge in a cool, dry, open space with ventilation away from flammable materials.



2 WHILE YOU RIDE...

- **Ride predictably:** Obey signs, ride with the flow of traffic, and signal at turns/stops.
- **Control your speed:** Brake early. E-bikes are heavier and faster than traditional bikes, making it harder to stop.
- **Maintain throttle control:** Move deliberately and consistently. Throttling too hard or erratically may throw you off balance.
- **Be seen:** Wear bright/reflective clothes + use lights.
- **Eyes up, distractions down:** Put the phone away.
- **Limit headphones:** Ride with at least one ear uncovered so you can hear what's going on around you.
- **Be courteous:** Slow down near others, signal when passing, yield to people walking.
- **Door zone = Danger zone:** Stay five feet away from parked cars when possible.
 - Collisions with doors cause an estimated 20–25% of urban bike crashes, and minor dooring crashes often aren't reported.

Riding in Groups

- **No surprise braking:** Leave space so you can slow down smoothly.
- **Don't overlap wheels:** Avoid letting your front wheel get too close to a rear wheel in front of you. A sudden movement by the rider in front of you could cause you to go down.
- **Speak up + point:** Call out hazards (potholes, debris) and point so everyone sees it.

