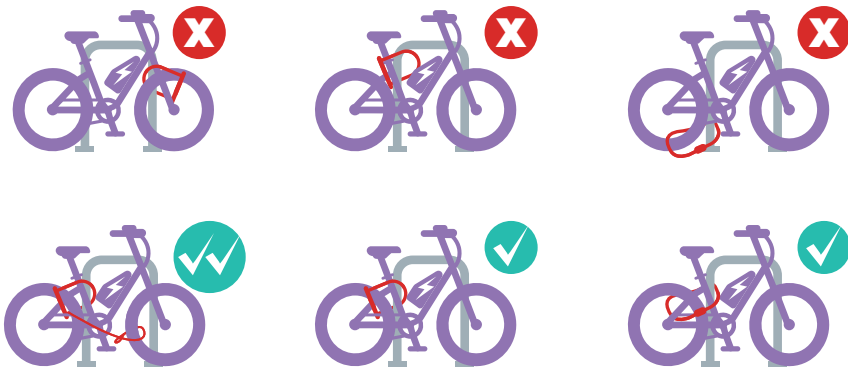


# 3 WHEN YOU ARRIVE...

- **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**.



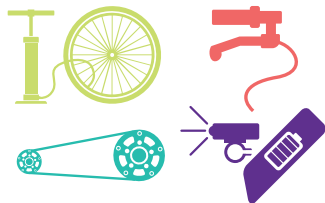
# 1 BEFORE YOU RIDE...

## 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.

