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ROAD TRAFFIC ACT (CHAPTER 276)

ROAD TRAFFIC (DEALING IN POWER-ASSISTED BICYCLES) (AMENDMENT) RULES 2020

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 34(1) of the Road Traffic Act, the Minister for Transport makes the following Rules:

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules are the Road Traffic (Dealing in Power-Assisted Bicycles) (Amendment) Rules 2020 and come into operation on 3 April 2020.

New rule 6

2. The Road Traffic (Dealing in Power-Assisted Bicycles) Rules 2018 (G.N. No. S 244/2018) are amended by inserting, immediately after rule 5, the following rule:

“Penalties

6.—(1) A person who contravenes rule 3(1) or (2) or 5 shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction —

(a) where the person is an individual —

(i) to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or to both; but

(ii) where the individual is a repeat offender, to a fine not exceeding \$20,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 24 months or to both; and

(b) in any other case —

(i) to a fine not exceeding \$20,000; but

(ii) where the person is a repeat offender, to a fine not exceeding \$40,000.

(2) A person who contravenes rule 4(1) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction —

(a) where the person is an individual —

(i) to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or to both; but

(ii) where the individual is a repeat offender, to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or to both; and

(b) in any other case —

(i) to a fine not exceeding \$10,000; but

(ii) where the person is a repeat offender, to a fine not exceeding \$20,000.

(3) In these Rules, “repeat offender”, in relation to any offence under these Rules, means a person who —

(a) is convicted, or found guilty, of such an offence (called the current offence); and

(b) has been convicted or found guilty of the same offence, on at least one other earlier occasion within the period of 5 years immediately before the date on which the person is convicted or found guilty of the current offence.”.

Amendment of Schedule





3. The Schedule to the Road Traffic (Dealing in Power-Assisted Bicycles) Rules 2018 is amended by deleting the warning notice and substituting the following warning notice:

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Land Transport Authority

WARNING NOTICE

Device Requirements for Bicycles, Personal Mobility Devices (PMDs), and Power Assisted Bicycles (PABs) Used on Public Paths

Maximum Unladen Weight	Maximum Device Width	Maximum Device Speed (Only for motorised devices)	Certified to a Device Safety Standard (Only for motorised PMDs)
20kg	70cm	25km/h	UL2272
			


Technical Specifications for Power Assisted Bicycles (PABs) Used on Public Paths and on Roads


Must be affixed with LTA seal of approval

20kg Maximum weight of PAB must not exceed 20kg

Maximum power output rating of PAB's motor must not exceed 250W

Must have EN 15194 marking that shows the PAB complies with the European Standard





PAB must not have start-up assistance feature or throttle

Construction of PAB must be similar to that of a conventional bicycle


Cyclist must pedal to start the motor

Motor power output of PAB must be progressively reduced as its speed approaches 25km/h, cut off when it reaches 25km/h, and reduced and cut off when the rider stops pedalling


25 km/h

Penalty for riding non-compliant bicycle, PAB or PMD on public path
FINE up to \$10,000, or JAIL up to 6 months, or BOTH


Where Devices are Allowed to be Used¹




Pedestrian-only Paths







Footpaths



Cycling Paths²



Roads

Legend:  Bicycles  Non-motorised PMDs  Motorised PMDs (e.g. electric scooters, electric unicycles)  LTA-Approved and Registered PABs

¹Riding of personal mobility devices, power-assisted bicycles or bicycles may be banned on certain footpaths or cycling paths even if compliant.
²Cycling paths refer to paths which are marked out with a bicycle logo or signage (and declared to be a shared path in the Active Mobility Act 2017).

Penalty for riding bicycle, PMD or PAB on pedestrian-only path	Penalty for riding motorised PMD or PAB on footpath	Penalty for riding PMD on road
FINE up to \$2,000, or JAIL up to 3 months, or BOTH		
Repeat offenders may face higher court fines and/or jail terms		

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