

Student use of Motorcycles and Mopeds at School Policy



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MEMBER OF STAFF RESPONSIBLE	CFO
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INTRODUCTION

An increasing number of young people are using motorcycles and mopeds to travel to school once they reach the legal age of 16. In order to ensure that Noadswood School satisfies its' duty of care to these students and to those students and staff who could be affected by the use of motorcycles and mopeds on school grounds, a number of rules have been introduced to protect all groups.

THE LAW

The law is very clear about who can ride a motorcycle or moped and what must be done before legally doing so. A person must:

- Have a valid driving licence.
- Have completed Compulsory Basic Training (CBT).
 - The training makes sure you can ride safely on your own while you practice for your full moped or motorcycle test.
 - CBT isn't a test that you pass or fail.

After you have completed CBT, you can ride a moped if you are 16 or over.

- You must use L plates unless you have passed a full moped or motorcycle driving test.
- You must not carry a passenger.
- You must pass your full moped or motorcycle test within 2 years, or you have to either take CBT again or stop riding.

The School expects all students who ride a vehicle on school grounds to have passed their CBT as a minimum.

Equally, once you have purchased your vehicle and are intending to use it to travel to school, you will need to ensure it:

- has a valid V5C registration certificate, registered to you at your home address (log book)
- is taxed
- has an MOT (if needed)
- has adequate motor insurance

Please note that you are not covered by the School's insurance when on school grounds.

The only piece of rider equipment that has to be of a required standard is your motorcycle helmet and its visor or goggles if you use them.

Helmet

You must wear a safety helmet when riding a motorcycle on the road. All helmets sold in the UK must comply with at least 1 of these:

- British Standard BS 6658:1985 and carry the BSI (British Standards Institution) Kitemark
- UNECE Regulation 22.05
- any standard accepted by a member of the European Economic Area which offers a level of safety and protection equivalent to BS 6658:1985 and carry a mark equivalent to the BSI Kitemark

Visors and goggles

Your visors or goggles must comply with either:

- a British Standard and displays a BSI Kitemark
- a European standard which offers a level of safety and protection at least equivalent to the British Standard and carries a mark equivalent to the BSI Kitemark (ECE 22-05)

Please note that helmets with a DOT mark are not legal in the UK, these are for use in the USA.

Also, you must wear glasses or contact lenses when you ride if you need them to read a number plate at the prescribed distance.

In addition, it is strongly advised you always wear suitable gloves, robust footwear, and appropriate clothing for the weather conditions. Additional protective clothing should be considered in order to minimize potential injury should you be unfortunate enough to have an accident.

SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Students wishing to travel to school by moped or motorcycle must arrange to see the Deputy Headteacher, Mr Hewitt, to review and submit the attached form.

In order to ensure that students are following the law, Noadswood School requires each student who intends to travel to school on a motorcycle or moped to confirm the following (see form attached):

- Driving licence
- CBT certificate
- Vehicle logbook
- Evidence of vehicle tax (DVLA email will suffice)
- Vehicle MOT certificate, if appropriate
- Insurance certificate
- Crash helmet with the appropriate safety mark
- Engine capacity no greater than 50cc and the engine has not been derestricted

A signed copy of the parent's authorisation for the student to use a motorcycle or moped to travel to school and confirming the requirements above will be required.

The Student must agree;

- to arrive before 8.30 am and leave after 3.15pm to ensure safe passage of all students
- to proceed directly to the parking area on arrival at school, which is in the designated bay and drive sensibly at all times in the vicinity of the school grounds
- not to park in the Staff Parking bays within the secure area
- to proceed directly off the school grounds at the end of the school day or at the end of any club or sports event
- not to use your vehicle at lunchtime, even if you have a lunchtime pass to leave school
- not to allow any other student or young person to ride the vehicle whilst on School grounds
- to ensure that adequate security measures are taken to secure the vehicle whilst unattended
- to sign the agreement (see below) to say you will abide by the School's rules for the use of motorcycles and mopeds on School grounds.

A signed copy of the student's agreement with the requirements above will be required.

The School reserves the right to withdraw permission at any time without notice in case the school's requirements are not adhered to, more than 5 students requesting permission at anyone time, the health and safety provisions on the site are compromised as deemed to be the case by the school leadership.

The school accepts no responsibility for the vehicle whilst on school grounds and the student must understand they bring it onto the school site at their own risk.

AUTHORISATION FOR MY CHILD TO USE A MOTORCYCLE OR MOPED TO TRAVEL TO SCHOOL

I,(insert name), authorise my child,

.....(insert name) of Tutor Group, to travel

to and from Noadswood School on a motorcycle or moped and I confirm compliance with the following requirements:

- ☐ a valid driving licence
- ☐ obtained the CBT certificate
- ☐ a vehicle logbook
- ☐ evidence of vehicle tax (DVLA email will suffice)
- ☐ vehicle MOT certificate, if appropriate
- ☐ insurance certificate
- ☐ crash helmet
- ☐ engine capacity no greater than 50cc and the engine has not been derestricted

Signed: Date:

AGREEMENT TO ABIDE BY THE SCHOOL'S RULES FOR THE USE OF MY VEHICLE ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

I,(insert name) of Tutor Group,

agree to abide by the School's rules for the use of my vehicle on the School's grounds:

- ☐ to arrive before 8.30am and leave after 3.15pm
- ☐ to proceed directly to the parking area on arrival at school, which is in the designated bay and drive sensibly at all times in the vicinity of the school grounds
- ☐ not to park in the Staff Parking bays within the secure area
- ☐ to proceed directly off the school grounds at the end of the school day or at the end of any club or sports event
- ☐ not to use your vehicle at lunchtime
- ☐ not to allow any other student or young person to ride the vehicle whilst on School grounds
- ☐ to ensure that adequate security measures are taken to secure the vehicle whilst unattended

I understand that if I break these rules I will not be allowed to bring my vehicle to School.

Signed: Date: