



**HEDDLU
GOGLEDD CYMRU
NORTH WALES
POLICE**

Response Date: 17/01/2024

2024/053 - Electric scooters and electric cycles

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

1. Why do the police appear to ignore the illegal use of electric scooters and electric cycles which require to be registered and insured.

You cannot get insurance on electric scooter in the UK as they are illegal to ride on a public road. There is no legal requirement to have insurance for e-bikes in the UK provided that the e-bike qualifies as an electric bike under the current UK law and regulations.

[Electric bikes: licensing, tax and insurance - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/electric-bikes-licensing-tax-and-insurance)

2. How many riders of these vehicles have been prosecuted, and or had them impounded.

(2022 – 2023 inc.) E-Bike = 28, 18 of which were seized where owner would have to pay to retrieve from pound.

(2021 – 2023 inc) E – Scooter = 39, 28 of which the owner would have had to pay to retrieve from pound

3. How do the police intend to enforce the 20mph limit when so many of the signs of lack of them do not meet the statutory requirements?

If the road signage is not appropriate, they will not enforce.

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UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 16/01/2024