



BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY

University Policy 9010

Pedestrian and Personal Conveyance Vehicle Safety

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Responsible Party

Chief Operating Officer and Vice President for Campus Operations, (208) 426-1233
Transportation and Parking Services, (208) 426-7275

Scope and Audience

This policy applies to all students, employees, contractors, volunteers, and visitors on University-controlled property.

Additional Authority

- Boise State University Statement of Shared Values
 - University Policy 12020 (Exclusion from Campus)
 - Idaho Code Title 49, Chapter 7 (Pedestrians and Bicycles)
 - Boise City Code, Title 10, Chapter 6 (Pedestrians)
 - Boise City Code, Title 10, Chapter 14 (Bicycles)
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1. Policy Purpose

To establish comprehensive guidelines for pedestrian traffic and the safe use of personal conveyance vehicles on Boise State University owned and leased properties.

2. Policy Statement

Boise State University maintains a healthy and safe environment conducive to learning for all members of the campus community. The University supports sustainable forms of transportation and therefore encourages the safe and responsible use of Personal Conveyance Vehicles. Moreover, this policy establishes a common foundation of rules, expectations and designated areas of campus for pedestrians, and Personal Conveyance Vehicles.

Under the obligations of this policy, Riders must exercise watchfulness, attention, and caution to protect vulnerable pedestrians at all times. Riders have the burden of safety with the understanding that the Pedestrian always has the right-of-way.

3. Definitions

3.1 All Wheels Down

When all wheels (or one foot in the case of rollerblades/skates) are in contact with the ground, and only the ground, at all times.

3.2 Dismount

The action required for a Rider to become a Pedestrian. A dismounted Rider is one who is on foot or “all wheels up,” and accompanied by a wheeled transportation device which is being pushed, pulled, or carried.

3.3 Impounded Personal Conveyance Vehicle

Any Personal Conveyance Vehicle that has been temporarily claimed by the University due to presenting a safety hazard or violating this policy.

3.4 Inoperable and Abandoned Personal Conveyance Vehicle

Any Personal Conveyance Vehicle that appears to be abandoned, as evidenced by signs of disuse or neglect, or is mechanically incapable of normal operation.

3.5 Pedestrian

A person on foot or any person operating a wheelchair, motorized wheelchair, or an electric personal assistive mobility device, as prescribed by a licensed physician. A Pedestrian may be accompanied by a Personal Conveyance Vehicle, as long as said device is being pushed, pulled, or carried.

3.6 Pedestrian Priority Zone

A designated area where Riders are required to Dismount.

3.7 Personal Conveyance Vehicles

Modes of human-powered transportation including, but not limited to bicycles, skateboards, skates, scooters, etc. Also includes transportation powered by motor or by batteries that may be operated off-street., including but not limited to: motor scooters, motorcycles, Segways, motorized skateboards, and self-balancing scooters (hoverboards). Personal Conveyance Vehicles operated by the Department of Public Safety are excluded from this policy.

3.8 Rider

Users of Personal Conveyance Vehicles.

3.9 Wheeled Priority Route

A designated area or designated routes where the primary mode of travel is intended for Personal Conveyance Vehicles.

4. Responsibilities and Procedures

4.1 Campus-Wide Safety Measures

Pedestrians and Riders are required to be aware of and obey all campus signs. Personal Conveyance Vehicles will be used in a manner that avoids damage to persons or Boise State property, specifically:

4.1.1 Ride Outside

Personal Conveyance Vehicles may not be used inside buildings or on any surface not normally intended for such use.

4.1.2 No 'Trick' Riding

Personal Conveyance Vehicles shall be used for transportation as intended and designed, and not for entertainment purposes. Therefore, All Wheels Down applies to the use of all Personal Conveyance Vehicles in authorized locations.

4.1.3 Three Feet to Pass

Riders shall not come within less than three (3) feet of Pedestrians while riding. If Riders cannot pass Pedestrians while maintaining the three-foot minimum distance they will Dismount. The requirement is in effect throughout the university campus and at all hours of all days.

4.1.4 Traffic Flow

Pedestrians determine the rate of traffic flow. Riders must move through the flow of traffic without disrupting it, which may require them to dismount.

4.2 Pedestrian Priority Zones

- a. Boise State designates the following areas as Pedestrian Priority Zones: the area commonly known as “The Quad”; and the “B” Plaza in front of the Administration Building. Access the map for these [Pedestrian Priority Zones](#).
- b. Except for wheelchair users and users of other mobility devices prescribed by licensed physicians, Boise State requires all riders to Dismount their transportation devices when within marked Pedestrian Priority Zones.
- c. The requirement to Dismount while in the Pedestrian Priority Zone is limited to the hours of 7:30am to 6:00pm Monday through Friday, unless the Rider cannot maintain a three-foot minimum distance from Pedestrians, then the Rider is required to Dismount regardless of the time or day.

4.3 Priority Routes and Parking

Personal Conveyance Vehicles are ubiquitous on Boise State’s campus; thus, it is important to address particular aspects of their use on campus property.

4.3.1 Priority Routes

- a. Boise State designates Wheeled Priority Routes.
- b. When using the Wheeled Priority Routes, Riders are required to conduct themselves with due regard to safety and in accordance with this policy.

4.3.2 Parking

- a. Bicycles must be parked in official, University-provided bicycle parking racks.

- b. All Personal Conveyance Vehicles that create safety or environmental hazards or block access to handrails, ramps, parking meters, signage, or building entrances or which are locked to light poles, posts, landscaping features, or handrails may be issued citations and impounded at the owner's expense.
- c. The Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Services has the authority to set policy regarding the parking of Personal Conveyance Vehicles in University residence halls.

4.3.3 Reclaiming Abandoned and Inoperable Personal Conveyance Vehicles

Abandoned or Inoperable Personal Conveyance Vehicles may be tagged for impoundment, but, if an individual is able to show evidence of ownership, the owner may work with Boise State Transportation and Parking Services to reclaim their Personal Conveyance Vehicle. [Read about the process.](#)

4.4 Enforcement and Failure to Comply

- a. Training and education related to this policy are the responsibility of the entire campus community.
- b. Both Transportation and Parking Services and the Department of Public Safety may enforce this policy and violations may result in fines. Areas near campus may be governed by city or state rules and regulations. Boise State will not enforce regulations on non-campus property, but Pedestrians and Riders are expected to follow all applicable rules of safety for the greater good of the campus community. Access specific details on violations of this policy, fines and ticket forgiveness.
- c. Boise State University reserves the right to initiate disciplinary procedures to any individual found to be in violation of this policy that could include, but is not limited to exclusion from campus under University Policy 12020 (Exclusion from Campus).

5. Related Information

University Policy 12020 (Exclusion from Campus)

Revision History

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