NEVADA’S E-BIKE LAW

NEVADA’S E-BIKE LAW FOR THE ROAD

» E-bikes are defined as “electric bicycles,” so long as the e-bike’s motor is under 750w, has a maximum speed of 20mph, and has operable pedals. The same rules of the road apply to both e-bikes and human-powered bicycles.

» E-bikes are not subject to the registration, licensing or insurance requirements that apply to motor vehicles.

» E-bikes are allowed on bike paths but not on sidewalks.

» There is no age minimum for e-bike riders.

» E-bike riders are not required to wear a helmet.

* The following Nevada laws are referenced: Nev. Rev. Stat. § 484B.017; § 484B.777; § 484B.117; § 483.090.

eMTB GUIDELINES

» On federal, state, county and local trails, e-mountain bike (eMTB) access varies significantly.

» Generally, any natural surface trail that is designated as open to both motorized and non-motorized uses is also open to eMTBs.

» eMTBs may not be allowed on trails managed for non-motorized activities.

» Do not ride your eMTB in areas where the local rules are unclear. Ride legally and only on authorized trails to show that mountain bikers are responsible trail users.

» When in doubt, ask your local land manager about access to specific trails. Local land rules change frequently.

NEVADA’S E-BIKE LAW FOR TRAILS

» LOCAL: Consult your local land management agency.

» STATE: Nevada State Parks currently does not differentiate e-bikes from traditional bicycles. The department informally allows e-bikes where bikes are allowed. Contact Nevada State Parks for the most up to date information.

» FEDERAL: On federal lands, eMTBs are considered motorized vehicles and have access to motorized trails. Contact the U.S. Forest Service Intermountain Regional Office or the BLM Nevada State Office for more information.

GREAT eMTB RIDES IN NEVADA

» Rocky Gap Road
  Summerlin | 15 miles

» Beaver Dam Gravel Route
  Caliente | 35 miles

CHECK OUT

» A map of great eMTB rides at peopleforbikes.org/emtb

» eMTB “Adventures” at peopleforbikes.org/e-bikes

Learn more at PeopleForBikes.org/e-bikes

» Blogs and webinars

» E-bike laws around the country

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» Buying guide

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NEVADA’S E-BIKE LAW

With an e-bike, bicyclists can ride more often, farther, and for more trips.

Electric bicycles are designed to be as safe as traditional bicycles, do not compromise consumer safety, and benefit bicyclists who may be discouraged from riding a traditional bicycle due to limited physical fitness, age, disability or convenience.

In many states, e-bikes are regulated under antiquated laws primarily aimed at combustion engine vehicles such as mopeds or scooters. PeopleForBikes is clarifying state laws governing the use of e-bikes in the U.S. Every state’s law is different, but the objective is to ensure that low-speed e-bikes are regulated similarly to traditional, human-powered bicycles.