



**TRURO
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SENIOR SCHOOL

Electric Bike Policy

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1. Purpose and Scope

- 1.1 This policy sets out the conditions under which pupils may bring an electric bike (e-bike) to Truro School and aims to ensure the safety of pupils, staff and visitors on site.
- 1.2 Only pupil aged 14 or older may apply for permission to bring an electric bike to school. Pupils under the age of 14 and not permitted to bring electric bikes to school under any circumstances.

2. Legal Definition of an Electrically Assisted Pedal Cycle (EAPC)

2.1 An electric bike may only be brought onto school premises if it meets the UK Government's definition of an Electrically Assisted Pedal Cycle (EAPC).

2.2 To be classified as an EAPC, a bike must:

- Have pedals that can be used to propel the bike.
- Have an electric motor with a maximum continuous power output of 250 watts.
- Provide electrical assistance only while the rider is pedalling.
- Cut off electrical assistance when the bike reached 15.5 mph (25 km/h).
- Display either:
 - The motor's power output or manufacturer
 - The battery voltage or the bike maximum assisted speed.
- Be capable of having more than two wheels (e.g. a tricycle).

2.3 Walk assist features that propel the bike at walking pace only are permitted.

2.4 Any electric bike fitted with a throttle capable of propelling the bike above walking pace without pedalling is not permitted on school premises.

2.5 Any electric bike that does not meet the EAPC rules is classed as a motorcycle or moped. Such vehicles require registration, tax, insurance, a driving license and approved helmet under UK law.

3. Use of E-Bikes on School Premises

- 3.1** Approved EAPCs may be used only for travelling to and from school.
- 3.2** E-bikes must not be used on site during the school day.
- 3.3** Pupils must:
- Follow the one-way circuit on site.
 - Comply with all school signage.
 - Observe the 10mph speed limit on school grounds.
 - Dismount and walk bikes in pedestrian areas and on school paths.
- 3.4** A cycle helmet must be worn at all times when riding an e-bike on school premises, including on arrival and departure.
- 3.3** E-bikes must not be charged on school premises due to fire and electrical safety risks.

4. Storage

- 4.1** E-bikes must be parked and securely locked in the designated cycle racks in front of the SBA.
- 4.2** It is the pupil's responsibility to ensure their e-bike is adequately secured.
- 4.3** The school accepts no responsibility for loss, theft or damage to e-bikes brought onto school grounds.

5. Approval Process

- 5.1** Pupils must receive written approval from the school before bringing an e-bike onto site.
- 5.2** Approval will only be granted if:
- The pupil is aged 14 or over.
 - The bike meets the EAPC criteria.
 - A completed Pupil Application Form (Appendix 1) and Parent/Carer Consent Form (Appendix 2) have been submitted.
- 5.3** Approval is granted at the school's discretion and may be withdrawn at any time.
- 5.4** Applications are submitted for review to the Compliance Officer.

6. Modifications and Breaches

- 6.1** E-bikes must not be modified or tampered with in any way, including software or hardware changes that increase speed or power.
- 6.2** If an e-bike is found to have been modified, permission to bring it to school will be immediately withdrawn.

6.3 Unsafe use, repeated breaches of this policy, or allowing another pupil to ride the e-bike may result in:

- Withdrawal of permission and/or
- Disciplinary action in line with the School Behaviour Policy

7. Review

7.1 This policy will be reviewed annually or sooner if legislation or school circumstances change.

Appendix 1 - Truro School E- Bike Application Form

Pupil Application to bring an electrically assisted pedal cycle (EPAC) to School

Pupil name:	
Pupil age:	
Form group:	
E-Bike make and model:	

Pupil Declaration:

Requirement	Yes	No
Pedals fitted and usable	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Motor power \leq 250 watts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Assistance cuts off at 15.5 mph	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
No throttle capable of self-propulsion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Walk-assist only (if fitted)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

I confirm that:

- The information provided is accurate
- The e-bike has not be modified
- I will comply fully with the School's Electric Bike Policy

Please submit to Compliance Officer, along with a signed Parent/Carer consent form.

Office use only	
Date of Parent/Carer consent form	
Date application approved	
Approved by	
Signed	

Appendix 2 - Truro School E- Bike Parent/Carer Consent Form

Pupil name:	
Form group:	

I confirm that:

- I am the parent/carer of the above named pupil.
- I give permission for my child to travel to and from school using an electric bike that meets EAPC requirements.
- I understand that the school does not accept responsibility for loss, theft or damage.
- I understand that permission may be withdrawn if the policy is breached.
- I confirm that the e-bike has not been modified and will not be modified.

Parent/Carer name:	
Signature:	
Date:	