

UPDATES FOR SELLERS AND MANUFACTURERS

01.

UPDATED LABELING REQUIREMENTS

Effective October 1st, manufacturers must label all e-bikes sold in the state of Connecticut with the class, motor wattage, and maximum speed in a font no smaller than size 9.

02.

HOW TO LEGALLY MODIFY AN E-BIKE

E-bikes cannot be modified unless the label is removed and replaced with one that reflects what it has become. If the class has changed, the new label should show the new class. If the vehicle is no longer an e-bike according to state law, the new label should reflect that. People who violate this statute are subject to a fine of up to \$100 for first offenses and a fine between \$100 and \$300 for subsequent offenses.

03.

SELLERS CANNOT SELL A VEHICLE AS AN E-BIKE IF IT'S NOT ONE

Sellers cannot sell a motor-driven cycle or other vehicle equipped with a motor for propulsion that is labeled as an e-bike if it isn't one.

04.

VEHICLES THAT ARE NOT E-BIKES CANNOT BE ADVERTISED AS ONE

Sellers that advertise a vehicle as an e-bike that is not one must make consumers aware of this. They must provide a written statement that has the correct classification of the vehicle, especially after any modifications, and and this statement, outlined in statute.

"This vehicle is not an "electric bicycle" as defined in section 14-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes. It is instead a type of motor vehicle and subject to applicable motor vehicle laws if used on public roads or public lands. Your insurance policies might not provide coverage for accidents involving the use of this vehicle. You should contact your insurance company or agent for available property damage and liability insurance coverage in connection with your use of this vehicle."

This notice should be conspicuous and meant to draw the attention of the consumer.

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