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New Jersey E-Bike Laws 2026

LICENSE REGISTRATION INSURANCE - ALL REQUIRED BY JULY 19TH, 2026

FEES WAIVED FOR 2026 CALENDAR YEAR

The updated New Jersey E-Bike Law, signed by Governor Murphy January 19, 2026, mandates that all forms of E-Bikes, including those with fully operable pedals and motor assist, are now classified as motorized bicycles. The new law requires a rider to be 15 years of age and have a Motorized Bicycle license or possess a valid NJ driver's license. This new law also requires riders to register and carry liability insurance on their motorized bicycles.

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO BY JULY 19TH, 2026

- 1. Get a License**
 - a. If you're 17+, you can use your driver's license
 - b. If you're 15-16, you'll need to get a motorized bicycle license from NJMVC
 - c. Under 15? Not permitted to operate any kind of e-bike
- 2. Register Your E-Bike**
 - a. This will be done through NJMVC
 - b. Free for 2026, then \$8/year
- 3. Get Insurance**
 - a. Basic liability coverage will be needed

THESE DOCUMENTS MUST BE IN YOUR POSSESSION WHILE RIDING

HOW TO OBTAIN A LICENSE

- You must be at least 15 years old.
- Schedule an appointment for an e-bike permit.
- Pass the Knowledge and Vision Tests to validate your permit.
- Schedule a Road Test.
- Practice operating the e-bike, unsupervised and during daylight hours, for 45 days.
- Upon passing your Road Test, obtain your e-bike license at an NJMVC Licensing Center.

Note: If you have a basic New Jersey driver's license, you do not need an e-bike license. You can ride an e-bike utilizing your driver's license.

HOW TO OBTAIN REGISTRATION

- Obtain e-bike insurance.
- Schedule a registration appointment.
- Provide ID and show valid proof of ownership or affidavit of ownership.
- Provide a Manufacturer's Certificate of Origin (MCO)
 - If an MCO, bill of sale or formal proof of ownership is **not** available, the Motor Vehicle Commission may accept an affidavit from the current owner. The affidavit sets forth with reasonable specificity the acquisition of ownership of the e-bike, together with any supporting documents, as proof of ownership of the e-bike.
- Obtain registration.

COMMON TYPES

Low-Speed Electric Bicycle (E-Bike)

- Motor helps only when you pedal
 - Stops helping at 20 mph
 - No throttle button or twist grip

Motorized Bicycle (Moped)

- Maximum Displacement of less than 50 cubic centimeters (no more than 1.5 brake horsepower)
 - **Vehicles without pedals that are less than 50 ccs cannot be registered as mopeds; rather, they must be registered as motorcycles, regardless of engine size**
- Has a throttle (button or twist grip)
 - Can go without pedaling
 - Maxes out at 28 mph

Electric Motorcycle (E-Moto)

- Goes faster than 28 mph
 - Very powerful motor (>750 watts)
 - Treated like a motorcycle

Pocket Bike

- Small-scale motorcycles with gasoline engines less than 50 ccs
- Can reach speeds of 45 mph
- By definition from the state legislature, pocket bikes are considered toys
- Because pocket bikes cannot be titled, insured or registered they **cannot** be used on public property

Requirement	E-Bike ≤20 mph, no throttle	Moped Maximum Displacement 50ccs ≤28 mph	E-Moto >28 mph
License	E-Bike OR Class D	Moped OR Class D	Motorcycle License / Endorsement
Registration	Required	Required	Required
Insurance	Required	Required	Required
Minimum Age	15 years old	15 years old	17 years old
Deadline to Comply	July 19 th , 2026	Already Required	Already Required
2026 Fees	Waived	Standard Fees	Standard Fees
2027+ Annual Fee	\$8/year	Standard Fees	Standard Fees

This information is subject to change as our agency receives further guidance from the State

Resources:

https://pub.nileg.gov/Bills/2024/S5000/4834_R1a.HTM

www.ni.gov/mvc/vehicletopics/mopedatv.htm

www.ni.gov/mvc/vehicletopics/motorcycle.htm

www.ni.gov/mvc/vehicletopics/ebike.htm