

# Spot the Difference: E-Bikes



## E-Bikes

Here in Louisville, we love our bikes! Lately, many folks have opted for electric bikes, aka “e-bikes.” When purchasing a new e-bike, it’s important to know that there are different types of e-bikes, and different rules for each!

### Class 1



- Pedal-assist only
- 20 MPH max speed
- Allowed on bicycle/pedestrian paths

### Class 2



- **Pedal-assist & throttle**
- 20 MPH max speed
- Allowed on bicycle/pedestrian paths

### Class 3



- Pedal-assist only
- **28 MPH max speed**
- Speedometer required
- Not allowed on City trails, paths, or parks
- Age 16+ to operate
- Under 18 years of age must wear a helmet



## NOT E-Bikes

Any electric bicycle/scooter over **750 watts** is NOT an e-bike, and are **NOT** allowed on sidewalks.

### Electric Scooters

(over 750 watts)



- Driver’s License & State of CO Low Power Scooter Registration Required
- Allowed on bicycle/pedestrian paths

### Motorcycle

(over 4500 watts)



- **Over 4500 watts**
- Driver’s license, motorcycle endorsement, & motor vehicle registration required

Did you know?

It’s illegal to ride your bicycle or electric bicycle on any sidewalk within a business district. This includes downtown Louisville!\*

