



SUBJECT: Bicycles, Skateboards, Scooters and Other Similar Devices	Effective Date: 4-1-10 Amended: 2-14-22	Policy Number: 4.1.5	
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	Responsible Authorities: Vice President, Administrative Affairs Director, Environmental Health and Safety		

APPLICABILITY:

This policy applies to all operators of bicycles, skateboards, skates, scooters and other similar devices on university property.

DEFINITIONS:

Other Similar Devices: For the purposes of this policy, other similar devices include one-wheel boards, segways, hover boards, mopeds, and other motorized or nonmotorized transportation equipment and devices.

Recreational Use: For the purposes of this policy, recreational use is defined as use of described devices for entertainment. Entertainment uses might include practicing tricks or stunts.

Transportation Use: For the purposes of this policy, transportation use is defined as a means of conveyance while traveling from point-to-point on or through university property.

POLICY STATEMENT:

The University seeks to promote public safety through the safe operation of bicycles, skateboards, skates, scooters and other similar devices on university property. The University further seeks to protect and preserve University property by prohibiting inherently destructive activity.

The safe and reasonable use of bicycles, skateboards, skates, scooters, and similar devices is permitted on university sidewalks and in parking lots, unless otherwise posted and with the limitations listed below. Operators of such devices assume the inherent risks associated with such devices.

The operation and use of bicycles, skateboards, skates, scooters and other similar devices, other than for use by persons with disabilities, are governed by the following limitations.

1. Use is permitted for transportation purposes only.
2. Recreational use is prohibited.
3. Use is not permitted inside any building.
4. Prohibited from use on roadways except when crossing the roadway at an authorized crosswalk.
5. Use is not permitted on the Breezeway or other covered walkway areas.
6. Use is not permitted on ramps, curbs, benches, steps, stairs, or other such structures.
7. Use shall give right of way to any pedestrian and those with disabilities.
8. Shall travel at a reasonable, safe, and prudent speed.
9. Bicycle parking is limited to bike racks and other designated areas. Parking a bicycle in any other area (i.e., building lobbies, stairwells, porches, trees, bushes, fences, access ramps, etc.) is prohibited. Bicycles locked to an access ramp are subject to confiscation by the University Police.
10. Where available, park scooters and mopeds in designated parking spaces.
11. Wearing headphones or earphones while operating such devices is prohibited.
12. Use on roadways may also subject the operator to applicable state and local laws.

Violations of this policy by faculty, staff and students may be grounds for disciplinary action up to and including termination or expulsion in accordance with applicable university and Florida Board of Governors regulations and/or collective bargaining agreements. Such disciplinary actions may also include reprimand, suspension or other sanctions. Violations of this policy by visitors, contractors, guests and other third parties may be grounds for terminating or suspending their access to and/or use of university property.

Equipment/devices used for recreational activity or otherwise in violation of this policy or may be subject to confiscation by the University Police. Confiscation may include towing and impoundment. If towing services are required for confiscation, a towing and impoundment fee will be assessed and payable by the device owner.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- i. Office of the Provost: Responsible for sanctions regarding faculty violations of this policy.
- ii. The Office of Human Resources: Responsible for sanctions regarding staff violations of this policy.
- iii. The Office of the Dean of Students: Responsible for sanctions regarding student violations of this policy.
- iv. The Office of Environmental Health and Safety: Investigates reports of non-compliances and seeks remedial action(s) with the appropriate division/department. Responsible for enforcement regarding visitor and contractor/vendor compliance with this policy.
- v. FAU Police Department: Responsible for confiscation of equipment/devices that are in violation of this policy.

PROCEDURES:

1. Violations of this policy must be reported through the Environmental Health and Safety Hazard Reporting Link or via e-mail at ehs@fau.edu.
2. The operator/owner of a confiscated equipment or device shall work with University Police on equipment or device return and payment of applicable fees.

INTIATING AUTHORITY: Vice President, Administrative Affairs

POLICY APPROVAL
(For use by the Office of the President)

Policy Number: 4.1.5

Initiating Authority

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