

	Policy on Use of Non-Motorized Vehicles on Campus	Responsible Administrative Unit Student Life
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1.0 BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

With the debut of new open spaces, plazas, and sidewalks on campus, the Office of Student Life at the Colorado School of Mines (“Mines” or “the School”) seeks to minimize risk for members of the community through the implementation of regulations for non-motorized vehicular traffic on campus. The purpose of this policy is to specify the permissible means and location of non-motorized transportation on the Mines campus.

2.0 POLICY

The following non-motorized vehicles are permitted as an effective means of transportation on the Colorado School of Mines campus:

- Bicycles
- Skateboards
- Scooters
- Unicycles
- Roller-skates

A “dismount zone” is in effect for the pedestrian plaza located in the core of campus. The area noted on [this map](#) has been designated as a walking area only for the safety of pedestrians. Riders of non-motorized vehicles must dismount and either park or walk their vehicle through the plaza. Riding through the pedestrian plaza is strictly prohibited.

Other regulations include:

2.1 For Bicycles:

Bicyclists must comply with all State of Colorado statutes pertaining to bicycle use on the roadway. [Colorado Rules of the Road](#) should be reviewed as a helpful resource. With the exception of the pedestrian plaza, riding bicycles is allowed on campus sidewalks but riders must yield the right-of-way to pedestrians and ride at speeds safe for existing conditions.

2.1.1 Parking: Bicycles should be parked in, and secured to bicycle racks provided on campus. Bicycles may not be parked in stairwells, in hallways, or attached to trees, railings, signs, lamp posts, benches, etc.

2.1.2 Impoundment: Abandoned or inappropriately parked bicycles may be impounded by the Department of Public Safety. Impounded bicycles will be kept for a period of 90 days. If the rightful owner does not claim the bicycle it will be donated or sold with all profits going to a campus non-profit organization or to supplement campus bicycle, skateboard, and or pedestrian safety programs.

2.1.3 Registration: Bicycle registration is not required but is highly encouraged to assist in the return of lost, impounded, or recovered bicycles. Bikes may be registered at the Department of Public Safety, Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

2.2 For Skateboards, Scooters, and Roller-skates:

With the exception of the pedestrian plaza, the use of skateboards, scooters and roller-skates is permitted on campus sidewalks. These vehicles, however, are not permitted on campus streets. Users must yield the right-of-way on campus sidewalks to pedestrians and must ride at speeds safe for conditions.

2.3 Other Specific Prohibitions:

2.3.1 The use of roller-skis, skis, snowboards, and any other similar non-motorized vehicle on the Mines campus is strictly prohibited.

2.3.2 Acrobatic and reckless riding or skating, and riding/skating on any step, planters, wall, or railings, is prohibited.

2.3.3 Damage to property caused by the use of a non-motorized vehicle is prohibited.

3.0 VIOLATIONS

Violations of this policy may result in a citation from the Department of Public Safety, and depending on the violation, may be subject to review by the Associate Dean of Students as part of the student judicial process and subject to additional judicial sanctions.

In addition, users who repeatedly violate this policy may have their non-motorized vehicle confiscated by the Department of Public Safety.

4.0 DEFINITIONS

4.1 Bicycle: Any non-motorized two-wheel vehicle. For the purposes of this policy, rules for bicycles also apply to unicycles.

4.2 Non-motorized Vehicle: Bicycles, skateboards, scooters, roller-skates, roller-skis, snowboards, or other toy vehicles.

4.3 Skateboard: Any apparatus consisting of a foot rest and wheels under human or motorized propulsion, used to glide over any surface. This definition includes long-boards.