

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

OPERATION OF NON-REGISTERED VEHICLES and OTHER MODES OF TRANSPORTATION-Policy No. D021

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Recommended for Approval By Mr. Gordon J. Herbst, Vice President for Finance and Administration

Approved By Jeremy D. Brown, President on January 6, 2010

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INTENT

It is the intent of this policy to establish rules and procedures designed to enhance the safety of all individuals on campus who operate non-registered vehicles and other modes of transportation of the type covered by this policy.

The purpose of this policy is to enhance safety on the Edinboro University of Pennsylvania campus and in the Borough of Edinboro, Pennsylvania.

POLICY

The Edinboro University Police are responsible for maintaining and updating, as necessary, the specifications for reflective materials and/or devices to be displayed on all bicycles, wheelchairs of all types, wagons, scooters, skateboards, in-line skates or any other non-registered vehicle(s) or other modes of transportation in, upon, or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a highway.

Owners of such modes of transportation are required to keep all non-registered vehicles and other modes of transportation in compliance with this policy.

All such non-registered vehicles must be operated, to the extent possible, on sidewalks and off of the traveled, paved portion of any street or highway; and must be operated in a prudent, safe and careful manner at all times.

Students who require the use of a wheelchair or scooter, whether motorized or not, are obligated to have their chair or scooter evaluated by the Office for Students with Disabilities to verify that the appropriate reflective materials and/or devices are clearly visible for safety purposes.

IN-LINE SKATES, SKATEBOARDS, BICYCLES, AND/OR SIMILAR ITEMS

Individuals may employ the use of in-line skates, skateboards, bicycles, and/or similar items to move about campus at their own risk of injury to themselves, third persons or damage to property. The campus of Edinboro University has been primarily designed for pedestrian accessibility traffic and not for these modes of movement.

These modes of transportation are never to be utilized inside of buildings for exhibitions, tricks, or any travel that may involve the use of skates, skateboards, bicycles, or other means of conveyance that demonstrates an indifference to University property and/or has the potential to damage property and are strictly forbidden. At all times, pedestrians not utilizing these modes of transportation shall be given the right of way and at no time should their movement be impeded or safety compromised by the use of these items. At no time should the use of these devices disrupt or compromise the safety of a university event or activity.

These items will always be operated in a safe and courteous manner, and at no time shall such actions include sliding up, down, or across any fixed object that is not specifically intended for such use. Additionally, for safety reasons, no jumps over or onto any fixed objects, such as chains, barriers, planters, benches, tables, railings, walls, or other University property is permitted. Individuals may be held responsible for all repair costs for any affiliated damages.

Individuals shall immediately discontinue the use of any such device at the direction of university personnel.

The decision to use these devices shall operate as acquiescence of the individual to indemnify to hold the University harmless for any damage to University property or injury to any person resulting from such use.

Violations of this policy are reportable as outlined below and constitute not only a violation of the Student Code of Conduct as a misuse or destruction of University property, but may also result in criminal charges, such as Criminal Mischief or Disorderly Conduct for damages incurred, which carry a potential fine of up to \$300.00.

PROCEDURE

- A. The Vice President for Finance and Administration, by the authority of the University President or his/her designee, shall have the authority to enforce this policy in cooperation with the University Police and all other individuals and agencies which he/she shall have the authority to call upon for assistance.
- B. A "grace period" of thirty (30) days from the beginning of each semester and/or summer term, will exist to allow students affected by this policy a reasonable amount of time to comply with the reflective device requirement of this policy. If a reflective device violation during the "grace period" is the student's first such violation, the fact that the violation occurred during the "grace period" will constitute a mitigating factor in regard to the issuance of any discipline.

C. Students who fail to comply with this policy will be referred to the Office of Student Judicial Affairs for disciplinary action.

D. Non-students will be given a warning by the Campus Police and advised to cease and desist, that warning will be documented and subsequent violations will result in removal from campus through the *Persona non Grata* procedure and any applicable criminal charges.

DISSEMINATION OF POLICY

This policy shall be disseminated to employees and students in a manner that makes the information readily accessible. The method of dissemination can include but not be limited to electronically, within employee and student handbooks, and/or via University website.

A current copy of this policy is posted to the online University Policy Manual.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Contact	Office	Address	Telephone
Chief or Deputy Chief	University Police	Earlley Hall	814-732-2921 or Emergency 814-732-2911
Dean of Student Life	Student Life	Room 220 Dr. Frank G. Pogue Student Center	814-732-2778
Director	Student Disability Services	Room 131 Crawford Center	814-732-1396
Coordinator	Student Judicial Affairs	Lawrence Towers	814-732-1449