

MICHIGAN VEHICLE CODE (EXCERPT)
Act 300 of 1949
OPERATION OF BICYCLES, MOTORCYCLES AND TOY VEHICLES

257.656 Violations of MCL 257.656 to 257.661a as civil infractions; duty of parent or guardian; regulations applicable to bicycles and motorcycles.

257.657 Rights and duties of persons riding bicycle, electric bicycle, electric skateboard, electric personal assistive mobility device, moped, low-speed vehicle, or commercial quadricycle.

257.657a Operation of golf cart on village, city, or township streets or state trunk line highway.

257.658 Riding on seat of bicycle, motorcycle, moped, electric skateboard, or electric personal assistive mobility device; number of persons; wearing of crash helmet; conditions; rules; requirements for autocycle.

Constitutionality: <Paragraph><P>The legislature may reasonably require that helmets be worn with a view to mitigating potential civil and criminal liability of drivers who collide with motorcycles. <Emph EmphType="underscore">People</Emph> v <Emph EmphType="underscore">Poucher</Emph>, 398 Mich 316; 247 NW2d 798 (1976).</P></Paragraph>

Popular Name: Helmet Law

Admin Rule: <Paragraph><P>R 28.901 et seq. and R 28.951 et seq. of the Michigan Administrative Code.</P></Paragraph>

257.658a Seats and foot rests; requirements; exception; violation as civil infraction.

257.658b Crash helmet required; exception.

257.659 Riding while attached to streetcar or vehicle.

257.660 Electric personal assistive mobility device, low-speed vehicle, commercial quadricycle; electric skateboard, or moped; operation; limitations; applicability to police officer; regulation by local government; prohibitions; regulation by department of natural resources.

Compiler's Notes: <Paragraph><P>For transfer of powers and duties of department of natural resources to department of natural resources and environment, and abolishment of department of natural resources, see E.R.O. No. 2009-31, compiled at MCL 324.99919.</P>

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257.660a Operation of bicycle upon highway or street; riding close to right-hand curb or edge of roadway; exceptions.

Compiler's Notes: <Paragraph><P>Former MCL 257.660a, which pertained to operation of bicycle with motor, was repealed by Act 439 of 1976, Imd. Eff. Jan. 13, 1997.</P></Paragraph>

257.660b Operation of bicycle upon highway or street; riding more than 2 abreast.

257.660c Operation of bicycle upon sidewalk or pedestrian crosswalk.

257.660d Parking bicycle or electric skateboard on sidewalk, highway, or street.

257.661 Carrying package, bundle, or article on bicycle, electric personal assistive mobility device, moped, or motorcycle.

257.661a Handlebars of motorcycle or moped.

257.662 Bicycle, electric personal assistive mobility device, electric skateboard, or commercial quadricycle; equipment; violation as civil infraction.

257.662a Electric bicycle; rights of individual; label to be affixed by manufacturer or distributor; tampering with or modification of electric bicycle prohibited; requirements applicable to class 3 electric bicycle; compliance with federal requirements; operation on highway or within city; operation of class 1, class 2, or class 3 electric bicycle on certain trails; compliance with Americans with disabilities act of 1990 and persons with disabilities civil rights act; public hearing; inapplicability of subsections (6) to (10) to use of electric bicycles on congressionally authorized public trail system.

