



Shared Mobility Device Policy

Effective Date: October 2018

Office: Office of Risk Management

PURPOSE: *This section should include reason or rationale for the policy.*

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for the operation of Shared Mobility Devices on the University of Indianapolis campus.

**REFERENCE DOCUMENTS/
RELATED INFORMATION:** *List any other policies or information that should be cross referenced.*

[Lime Shared Mobility System User Agreement](#)

[Bird Shared Mobility System User Agreement](#)

SCOPE: *Who is affected by this policy or needs to read it?*

University of Indianapolis campus community.

Definitions:

Shared Mobility Device: electric bicycle, electric scooter or similar device that is used in a Shared Mobility System.

Shared Mobility System means a system which provides a shared mobility device for short-term rentals for trips and which may be locked or unlocked with or without being located on a rack or docking system. The only systems allowed on campus are those licensed by the City of Indianapolis.

POLICY HISTORY: *Include any information about previous versions or whether this replaces an existing policy.*

POLICY STATEMENT: *State the policy here. The policy statement should include the principles of the policy: what is permitted or prohibited, what is required, or how issues will be handled. If viewers read only this section, they will know what the policy is and how it extends to the University. How-to procedures can be elaborated on in the Procedures section.*

The University of Indianapolis allows the use of shared mobility devices on its campus as long as the use is in compliance with the rules and regulations described below.

- Users must abide by the rental terms within the licensed Shared Mobility System User Agreement (as examples, visit the Bird and Lime Shared Mobility Systems User Agreements in Forms/Document Section).
- Users must be at least (18) years of age.
- Users of Shared Mobility Devices should not carry passengers. This means one person per device.
- Shared Mobility Devices are not permitted in any campus buildings.
- Shared Mobility Devices must always be operated at a low speed, especially in the presence of pedestrians.
- Pedestrians have priority right of way and shared mobility devices are required to yield to pedestrian traffic.
- Charging Shared Mobility Devices on campus is not allowed except in authorized circumstances.
- Shared Mobility Device users are subject to law enforcement at any time. Users must follow city ordinances on public streets and sidewalks.
- University Police have the right to remove or prohibit the use of any shared mobility device in the area surrounding any special event, in any area affected by a public safety emergency, or if it is believed that the device poses a hazard to public health and safety.
- The University assumes no liability should an injury occur due to a shared mobility device. The University is not responsible for maintenance or the physical condition of Shared Mobility Devices.

Parking:

Shared Mobility Devices should not be parked in a way to obstruct:

- Any loading zone
- Any accessible parking zones or spaces for people with disabilities
- Any outdoor furniture that requires pedestrian access
- Any curb ramp
- Any entrance or exit from any building
- Any drainage facilities
- Streets or driveways
- Vehicle parking spaces
- Any staircase
- Any sidewalk

Shared Mobility Devices should be parked in or around bike racks across campus so they do not block access or impede pedestrian traffic.

Shared Mobility Devices must be parked in an upright manner.

Recommended Safety Tips:

- Wear a helmet.
- Use common sense; scooters are motorized vehicles and could cause damage.
- Dress to be visible and do not operate at night.
- Share the road and never ride against traffic.
- Maintain a three-foot minimum distance from pedestrians.
- Watch the road for uneven surfaces and debris.
- Be wary of puddles and leaves that may cover potholes.
- Drive defensively.
- Keep your eyes up and ears free so you can see and hear what's happening around you.

The safety tips above are intended to increase safety while riding a shared mobility device; however, they are not intended to be an exhaustive list of safety precautions and do not guarantee operator safety. Be wise and conduct your own research on how to operate devices safely. Remember: If you choose to use a shared mobility device, you do so exclusively at your own risk.