

A safer walk and ride

New rules will be implemented early next year to boost safety for cyclists, personal mobility device (PMD) users and pedestrians, and reduce accidents on paths and roads. These were recommended by the Active Mobility Advisory Panel last month and accepted by the Ministry of Transport last week.

SPEED LIMIT ON FOOTPATHS FOR PMD USERS AND CYCLISTS

The current 15kmh speed limit will be reduced to 10kmh so that both riders, cyclists and pedestrians have enough time to react to one another in unforeseen circumstances.

SPEED LIMIT FOR MOTORIZED WHEELCHAIRS AND MOBILITY SCOOTERS

A maximum device speed of 10kmh will apply to motorised wheelchairs and mobility scooters. This will prevent retailers and able-bodied users from abusing such devices to circumvent stricter regulations on PMDs.

STOP AND LOOK

Active mobility device users must stop and look out for vehicles at road crossings, before resuming their journeys.

HELMET USE

It will be mandatory for cyclists to wear helmets when riding on roads. However, this will not apply to those who are crossing the road as part of their journey on footpaths and cycling/shared paths.

