

# E-BIKE SAFETY



## Attention Parents!

Have you recently bought an e-bike for your child, or are you contemplating making a purchase soon?

## What you need to know

There are 3 classes of e-bikes in New Jersey. The operation of each is outlined in Title 39 of New Jersey Vehicle Laws.

# KNOW THE LAWS

## CLASS 1

## CLASS 2

## CLASS 3

### Spot the Difference: E-Bikes

Class 1



Class 2



Class 3



Not E-Bikes



CLASS 1

E - BIKE



- Pedal assist only - No throttle
- Low-speed electric bicycle
- Activated when the rider pedals
- Under 17 MUST wear a helmet
- Must obey Title 39 bicycle laws
- No registration / insurance required
- Cannot be operated on sidewalks

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Class 1



CLASS 2

E - BIKE



- Throttle propelled with pedal assist
- Top speed of 20 MPH
- Low-speed electric bicycle
- Under 17 MUST wear a helmet
- Must obey Title 39 bicycle laws
- No registration / insurance required
- Cannot be operated on sidewalks

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Class 2



CLASS 3

E - BIKE



- Throttle propelled with pedal assist
- Top speed of 28 MPH
- Considered a motorized vehicle (“motorized bicycle”)
- Helmet required
- Must obey Title 39 traffic laws
- Must be registered and insured
- Must be at least 15 years old to operate
- Cannot be operated on sidewalks
- Driver’s license required

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Class 3



ELECTRIC  
MOTORCYCLE

NOT AN E-BIKE!



- Throttle ONLY - no pedals
- This is a motorcycle
- Motorcycle endorsement required
- Driver's license required
- Helmet required
- Must obey Title 39 traffic laws
- Registration and insurance required
- Cannot be operated on sidewalks

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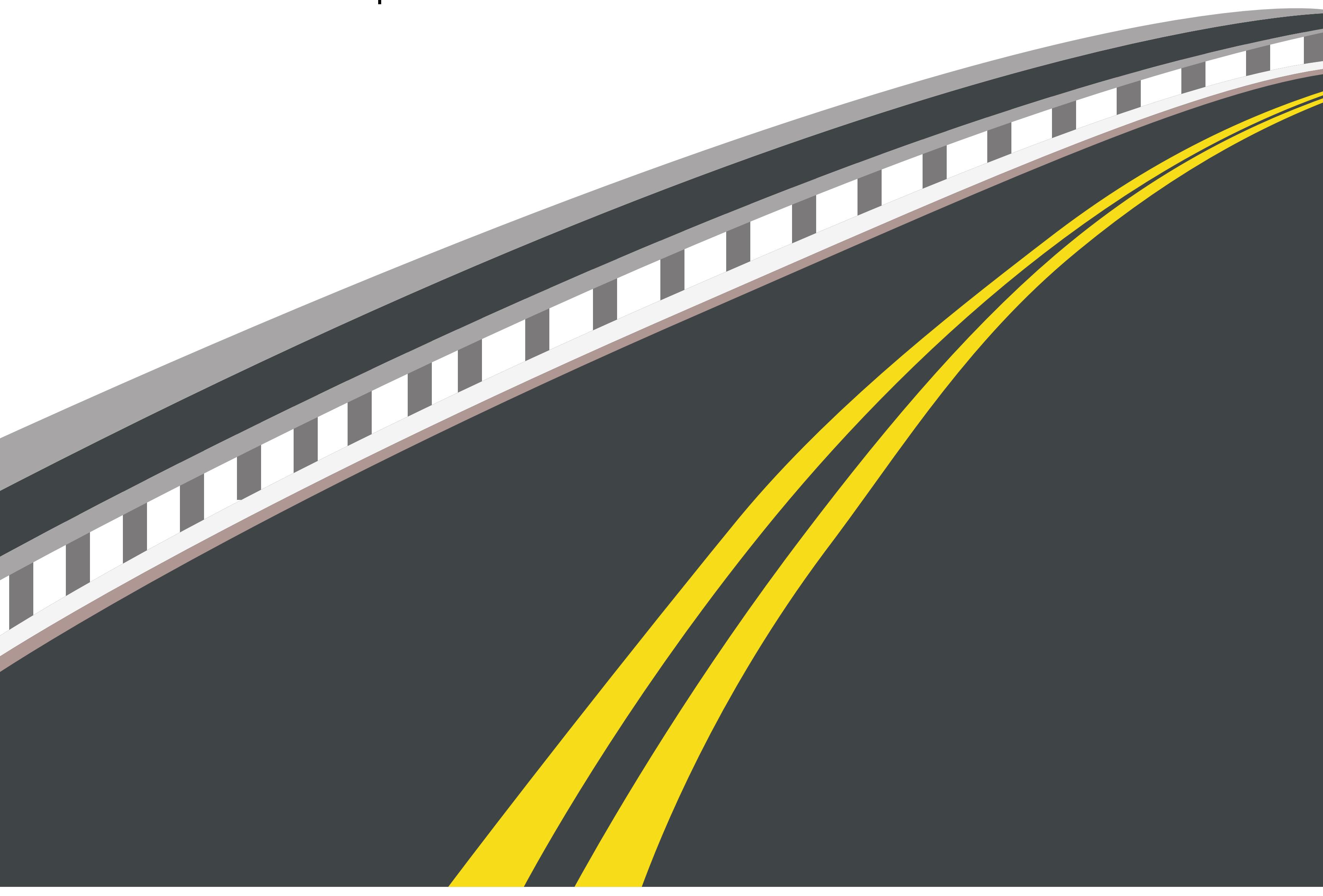
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- Helmet required if under 17
- Lights or reflectors required
- Brakes required
- Improper riding or carrying
- Keep right on roadway
- Cannot be operated on sidewalks

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IT BEGINS AT HOME

PARENTS



- Let them know that operating an E-Bike is a big responsibility and the potential Dangers associated with it.
- It is YOUR responsibility to ensure that your child has the proper E-Bike.
- Check to make sure the E-Bike has Lights or Reflectors.
- Make sure the Brakes are in safe, working condition.
- Talk to your child about the importance of wearing a Helmet.
- Talk to them about Safe Operation.

