Moped operators have more crashes than other motor vehicle operators. Mopeds are involved in 30 to 40 injury producing accidents per year in the campus area.

All moped owners/operators should follow safe practices and have insurance to cover their liability should they cause injury to persons or property.

- Always wear a helmet.
- Use eye wear, such as goggles, glasses or a motorcycle helmet with a visor.
- Headlights should be on at all times.
- Avoid operating a moped during adverse or winter weather conditions.
- Never drive with a passenger.

Purchase Permit Restriction

University residence hall contract holders will be restricted to selecting moped lots adjacent to their address of record. The restricted residence hall moped lots are not available to buyers not holding a residence hall contract.
Operating a Moped on Campus

Moped operators are expected to demonstrate responsibility in their driving habits to ensure the safety of both moped operators and the campus community as a whole.

► Mopeds must be registered to the current owner, display a valid license plate, and clearly display a valid UW-Madison parking permit to park on campus.

► Moped permits are valid in the designated moped lot only or in lots signed as “all access.” If the designated moped lot is full, the permit holder should notify Transportation Services and park in the nearest “all access” moped lot.

► Mopeds may not be operated on sidewalks, disabled access aisles, bike paths or other restricted areas.

► Mopeds may not park at or near bicycle racks or bicycle parking areas on the UW Campus.

► Mopeds are prohibited in gated sections of visitor parking garages and ramps.

► Mopeds may not be locked to or parked at utility poles, trees, bollards, railings, sign posts, meter posts, or fences.

► Mopeds may not be stored (parked for more than 72 hours) without authorization from Transportation Services, except at moped parking areas assigned to, and located next to university residence halls.

► Mopeds are not allowed in any classroom, lab, office or building.

► Improperly parked or abandoned mopeds are subject to citing, towing or impounding.

► Transportation Services has the authority to close a lot for construction, maintenance or safety issues. Permit holders will be notified in advance of lot closures and relocations.

Rules of the Road

All mopeds must be operated in accordance with Local, State, Federal and UW-Madison Campus regulations. Improperly operated or non-permitted mopeds may be cited by designated authorities. Mopeds are motor vehicles and operators are expected to follow all Wisconsin uniform traffic laws.

► Mopeds must have all factory-installed equipment (headlights, signal lights, mirrors, etc.) in working order.

► No passengers may ride on a vehicle registered as a moped.

► Moped operators must follow all traffic signs and signals.

► A maximum of one (1) moped may be parked in a metered parking space designed for automobiles.

► Mopeds may not be operated in a bike lane.

► Moped operators must yield to pedestrians in crosswalks.