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STUDENT USE OF MOTORCYCLES AND MOPEDS AT SCHOOL POLICY

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1. Introduction

1.1. An increasing number of young people are using motorcycles and mopeds to travel to school once they reach the legal age of 16. In order to ensure that The Newbridge School satisfies its' duty of care to these students and to those students who could be affected by the use of motorcycles and mopeds on school grounds, a number of rules have been introduced to protect both groups.

2. The Law

2.1. The law is very clear about who can ride a motorcycle or moped and what must be done before legally doing so. A person must:

- Have a valid driving licence.
- Have completed Compulsory Basic Training (CBT).
 - The training makes sure you can ride safely on your own while you practice for your full moped or motorcycle test.
 - CBT isn't a test that you pass or fail.

2.2. After you've completed CBT, you can ride a moped if you're 16 or over.

- You must use L plates unless you have passed a full moped or motorcycle driving test.
- You must not carry a passenger.
- You must pass your full moped or motorcycle test within 2 years, or you have to either take CBT again or stop riding.

2.3. The School expects all students who ride a vehicle on school grounds to have passed their CBT.

2.4. Once you have purchased your vehicle and are intending to use it to travel to school, you'll need to make sure it:

- has a valid V5C registration certificate, registered to you at your home address (log book)
- is taxed
- has an MOT (if needed)
- has adequate motor insurance (Please note that you are not covered by the School's insurance when on school grounds.)

2.5. You must wear a safety helmet when riding a motorcycle on the road. All helmets sold in the UK must comply with at least 1 of these:

- British Standard BS 6658:1985 and carry the BSI (British Standards Institution) Kitemark
- UNECE Regulation 22.05
- any standard accepted by a member of the European Economic Area which offers a level of safety and protection equivalent to BS 6658:1985 and carry a mark equivalent to the BSI Kitemark



- Please note that helmets with a DOT mark are not legal in the UK, these are for use in the USA.

2.6. Your visors or goggles must comply with either:

- a British Standard and displays a BSI Kitemark
- a European standard which offers a level of safety and protection at least equivalent to the British Standard and carries a mark equivalent to the BSI Kitemark (ECE 22-05)

2.7. Also, you must wear glasses or contact lenses when you ride if you need them to read a number plate at the prescribed distance.

2.8. In addition, it is strongly advised you always wear suitable gloves, robust footwear, and appropriate clothing for the weather conditions. Additional protective clothing should be considered in order to minimize potential injury should you be unfortunate enough to have an accident.

3. School Requirements

3.1. In order to ensure that students are following the law, The Newbridge School requires each student who intends to travel to school on a motorcycle or moped to provide the following:

- A signed copy of the authorisation form (see below) by both parent/carer and student.
- Driving license
- CBT certificate
- Insurance certificate
- Crash helmet

3.2. Copies of the documents and these will be retained until the student leaves school.

3.3. The registration of the vehicle will be checked by office staff using the following website to ensure the vehicle is taxed and has a valid MOT. <https://vehicleenquiry.service.gov.uk/>

3.4. The helmet will be checked for the appropriate safety mark.

3.5. The student must provide updated insurance certificate at any point they make a change to their policy.

3.6. The student must inform the office if they change their vehicle or helmet.

3.7. The Student must agree:

- To proceed directly to the parking area on arrival at school, which is the car park next to the sports hall and drive sensibly at all times in the vicinity of the school grounds.
- Give way to all pedestrians on school grounds and understand that they have right of way.
- Not to park in the Staff Parking area at the front of the school.
- To proceed directly off the school grounds at the end of the school day or at the end of any club or sports event.
- Not to use your vehicle at lunchtime, even if you have a lunchtime pass to leave school.



- Not to allow any other student or young person to ride the vehicle whilst on School grounds.
- To ensure that adequate security measures are taken to secure the vehicle whilst unattended.
- To sign the agreement (see below) to say you will abide by the School's rules for the use of motorcycles and mopeds on School grounds.

3.8. The School reserves the right to withdraw permission at any time without notice

3.9. The school accepts no responsibility for the vehicle whilst on school grounds and the student must understand they bring it onto the school site at their own risk.



**AUTHORISATION FOR MY CHILD TO USE A MOTORCYCLE
OR MOPED TO TRAVEL TO SCHOOL**

To be completed by parent/carer

I, (insert name), authorise my child,
..... (insert name) of Tutor Group,
to travel to and from The Newbridge School on a motorcycle or moped and I confirm that both they
and the vehicle are legally compliant.

Signed: Date:

**AGREEMENT TO ABIDE BY THE SCHOOL'S RULES FOR
THE USE OF MY VEHICLE ON SCHOOL GROUNDS**

To be completed by student

I, (insert name) of Tutor Group
agree to abide by the School's rules for the use of my vehicle on the School's grounds as outlined
above. I understand that if I break these rules I will not be allowed to bring my vehicle to School.

Signed: Date: