



Mini-Bikes Are Not Permitted on Detroit Streets or Sidewalks!!

Attention, Detroit Residents and Parents!

Detroit residents and parents should be aware that operating mini-bikes or pocket bikes is NOT permitted on the streets and sidewalks in the City of Detroit. These vehicles are not considered "street legal," according to Ch. 55 of the Detroit City Code, consistent with the Michigan Vehicle Code and the Michigan Uniform Traffic Code.

All vehicles operating on public streets or sidewalks must be licensed and registered. There is no provision in the City Code or the state code for the registration or licensing of a mini-bike or pocket bike. Additionally, the mini-bike or pocket bike does not meet the requirements to be licensed as a moped. To qualify as a moped, the vehicle must have brake lights, headlights, muffler, mirrors and other equipment that mini-bikes do not have. Lastly, mini-bikes or pocket bikes do not qualify to be registered as motorcycles, as they are too small.

Don't ride a mini-bike or allow your child or teenager to ride a mini-bike on any Detroit street or sidewalk.

All Detroit parents are urged to keep their children safe from harm and the inherent dangers of illegally riding these mini-bikes on public streets and sidewalks:

- Motorists cannot always see these small vehicles.
- Youngsters riding these small vehicles are not licensed.
- Youngsters riding these small vehicles are unaware of standard traffic safety laws and frequently disobey and disregard them, thus endangering themselves and others nearby.

*For questions, contact your Detroit Police Department
Neighborhood Police Officer.*