



Louisiana Department of Public Safety
Office of Motor Vehicles
Policy 30.00 Mopeds or Motorized Bicycles

Section: 4. Motor Vehicle Registration Requirements

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[R.S.32:1\(39\)](#)

[R.S. 32:1\(41\)](#)

[R.S. 32:198](#)

[R.S. 47:501](#)

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Definitions:

- **Motor Driven Cycle** - R.S. 32:1(39) defines as every motorcycle, including every motor scooter, with a motor not to exceed five horsepower.
- **Motorized Bicycle** - R.S. 32:1(41) defines as a pedal bicycle which may be propelled by human power or helper motor, or by both, with a motor rated no more than one and one-half brake horsepower, a cylinder capacity not exceeding fifty cubic centimeters, an automatic transmission, and which produces a maximum design speed of no more than twenty-five miles per hour on a flat surface."
- **Registration of Vehicle** - R.S. 47:501 requires every owner of a motor vehicle, trailer, or semi-trailer, or other vehicle intended to be operated upon the public highways in this state to register the vehicle before driving.

Requirements:

- Mopeds and motorized bicycles shall be registered and titled upon presentation of the following:
 - Notarized certificate of origin or title
 - Bill of sale
 - Evidence of security interest must be filed by a UCC-1 or equivalent form or by the filing of the security agreement
 - Odometer statement
- **License Required:**
 - A motorized bicycle shall only be operated upon the roadway of the highways of this state by a person fifteen years of age or older who possesses a valid driver's license with a motorcycle endorsement and shall not be operated upon sidewalks, interstate highways or impede traffic flow.
 - No person may operate a moped or motorized bicycle without adhering to laws governing the operation of motorcycle including the wearing of approved eye protectors or a windshield and the wearing of a helmet.

- **Note:** Motorized Bicycles, such as pocket bikes and scooter, that do not meet the requirements of this policy shall not be registered.