

## 24.01.01.W0.03 Skate, Scooter, Bike and Board Activity on Campus Approved January 13, 2017

## **Procedure Statement**

The purpose of this procedure is to assist in protecting the safety of members of the West Texas A&M University (WTAMU) community. It is intended to cover everything from skateboards, rollerblades, scooters, bicycles, self-balancing boards, or other similar modes of transportation, herein referred to as mobile equipment. This procedure is not intended to govern the use of equipment for disability. Mobile equipment for research, including Segways, must by authorized and approved for use by the Office of Environmental Health and Safety. The possession, operation, charging or storage of self-balancing boards, hover-boards, or similar devices on University or personal property is prohibited.

This procedure cannot be expected to meet every situation that may occur as a result of mobile transportation on campus. Procedures for situations not covered in this document should include notification for guidance to the University Police Department (UPD), Student Affairs, Environmental Health and Safety (EHS), Risk Management, or other departments involved with campus activities.

## Responsibilities

The owner and/or operator of any mobile equipment while on the WTAMU campus is responsible for the safe use and proper use of the equipment and to not present a danger or hazard to others and University property. The operation or use of mobile equipment to perform tricks, stunts, including jumping off or onto stairs, handrails, benches, planters or any structure not designed for such use is prohibited; or to operate these and similar devices in other than a careful or prudent manner.

The use of mobile equipment inside campus buildings is prohibited.

Any injury, property damage, or safety hazard caused by the operation of mobile equipment should be reported as soon as possible to UPD at #911.

Mobile equipment is subject to all laws regarding the use of roads and streets, including safe and proper use of crosswalks.

Bicycles and scooters must be parked and secured at University provided bike racks only. Bicycles in violation will be impounded by the University Police Department. Unclaimed bicycles are also subject to impound and possible surplus sale at the discretion of the University and UPD.

**Contact Office** 

**University Police Department** 

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