



## Roger Williams University

### **Guidelines for Campus Use of Bicycles, Roller Blades/Skates, Skateboards & Scooters**



The use of bicycles, roller blades/skates, skateboards, non-motorized scooters and other non-motorized recreational transportation equipment on campus is permitted for responsible recreation and transportation purposes, provided that the operators of such equipment exercise necessary caution for personal and pedestrian safety.

The purpose of the following guidelines is to help maintain a safe environment and the well-being of pedestrians as well as the operators of non-motorized recreational transportation equipment on the Roger Williams University campus.

#### **Permissible and Non-Permissible Operation of Bicycles, Roller Blades/Skates, Skateboards, Non-Motorized Scooters & Other Non-Motorized Recreational Transportation Equipment on Campus**

Operators of bicycles, roller blades/skates, skateboards, non-motorized scooters and other non-motorized recreational transportation equipment ***shall***:

- Ride only according to the equipment manufacturer's specifications.
- Adhere and comply with all traffic control devices, including posted signs that may prohibit riding in any designated area.
- Always yield the right-of-way to pedestrians.
- Dismount and carry the recreational transportation equipment across crosswalks, busy intersections and high traffic areas.
- Avoid speed bumps or raised roadway surfaces.
- Be mindful of possible debris on roadway surfaces, such as sand.
- Operate in a reasonable and controlled manner while exercising due care and caution to prevent injury to themselves, others or property.

Operators of bicycles, roller blades/skates, skateboards, non-motorized scooters and other non-motorized recreational transportation equipment ***shall not***:

- Perform any forms of stunting.
- Put any pedestrian, motor vehicle operator or other operator of any recreational transportation equipment at risk.
- Ride upon any stairwell, wall, bench, railing, table, fountain or other structure/facility.
- Ride on or over landscaping, shrubbery, grass or flower beds.
- Exceed a reasonable and prudent speed.
- Attach and/or secure the bicycle, roller blades/skates, skateboards, non-motorized scooter or other non-motorized recreational transportation equipment to a moving vehicle, golf cart or gator.
- Leave bicycles, roller blades/skates, skateboards, non-motorized scooters or other non-motorized recreational transportation equipment unattended on or at any ramp, entrance, other facility or parking area such that the free and clear use of these facilities is obstructed.

It is *highly recommended* that operators of bicycles, roller blades/skates, skateboards, non-motorized scooters or other non-motorized recreational equipment wear personal protective gear suggested by the manufacturer (e.g., helmet, knee pads, elbow pads, etc.).

**Note:** Campus use of motorized vehicles and recreational transportation equipment (other than those required to be DMV-registered) requires approval by the Departments of Public Safety and Environmental Health & Safety *before* any such use begins.