

Import Control Regime for Power-Assisted Bicycles (PABs) and Motorized Personal Mobility Devices (PMDs)

With effect from 28 June 2021, under the Small Motorized Vehicles (Safety) Act 2020, all imports of power-assisted bicycles (PABs) and motorized personal mobility devices (PMDs), i.e., e-scooters, hoverboards, e-unicycles and e-skateboards, are required to obtain approval from the Land Transport Authority (LTA) before importing these devices into Singapore.

- 2. The import control regime is a key upstream measure to stem the inflow of non-compliant PABs/PMDs into Singapore. It reinforces the government's existing efforts to promote public path and fire safety in the use of active mobility devices.
- 3. The import control regime also applies to individuals bringing in PABs/PMDs for personal use (e.g., residents returning to Singapore or travelers entering Singapore). As such, we would appreciate airlines' assistance to advise passengers against bringing PABs/PMDs into Singapore. Examples of these devices are included in Annex.
- 4. Individuals who attempt to bring in PABs/PMDs without a valid import permit may be asked to return to their port of origin (if they wish to keep their device) or dispose of their device on the spot for a fee, or may face penalties and have their device seized. An individual who imports a motorized PMD or PAB without valid approval from LTA can be fined up to \$5,000, or face a jail term of up to 6 months, or both, if convicted for the first offence.
- 5. For further information about the import control regime, please visit the LTA website at https://go.gov.sg/pmdimport or contact us at LTA import amdevice@lta.gov.sg.

Guidelines for Singapore –

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ANNEX: EXAMPLES OF LTA-CONTROLLED GOODS

Power-Assisted Bicycles (PABs)



Motorized Personal Mobility Devices (PMDs)



Personal Mobility Aids (PMAs) that are designed to transport individuals with difficulties walking, e.g., motorized wheelchairs and mobility scooters, are <u>not</u> controlled by LTA.