# E-Bikes in Whistler

E-bike use is increasing and as a result, Whistler has recently developed rules for e-bike use to:

- Protect the trails and natural areas we love
- $\cdot\,$  Get more people onto bikes and out of their cars
- · Minimize conflict with other trail users and wildlife
- · Facilitate incredible, memorable trail experiences for all users

### What are you riding?

Make sure the e-bike you choose is permitted on the trails you want to ride.



The most common devices in Whistler





Note: Other throttle-activated and high-speed electric mobility devices are not permitted on Whistler's trails. Some are permitted on municipal roads and Highway 99. Please refer to ICBC's low-powered vehicles operating rules. Examples of these other devices include e-mopeds, powered skateboards, stand-up (throttle) e-scooters, Segways and hoverboards.



## General riding safety, etiquette and tips



#### Valley Trail

The Valley Trail is a 40-km paved, multi-use trail connecting places in Whistler. Find a map at whistler.ca/valleytrail.

- For fast riding or commuting, please use Whistler's roads and highway.
- Slow down in busy sections and watch for kids, dogs, strollers and pedestrians.
- Stay right, and alert others when you pass on the left.
- · Share the trail.

#### **Off-Road Trails**

Whistler has many off-road recreational trails ranging from the Lost Lake trails to Whistler Interpretive Forest.

- Check trailforks.com for conditions and trail difficulty before you ride.
- Obey signage, including trail direction and closures.
- Ride safely and choose trails within your ability.
- Share the trail, respecting other users and wildlife.





**Class 1 e-bikes** are a great option for commuting, carrying or pulling heavy loads, and for longer, less technical trails like Flank or the Sea to Sky Trail.

**Class 2 and 3 e-bikes** are not permitted on any of Whistler's trails. Consider using them on Forest Service Roads to access remote areas. Lock them up to a tree and hike to your favourite spot.

**E-bikes are heavier,** making downhill riding, especially on technical trails, more challenging. Take care and ride safe.



E-bikes enable faster uphill riding, so pass respectfully and beware of oncoming riders. Please don't ride "downhill primary" trails (see Trailforks) in the uphill direction.

## E-bike use in Whistler



The use of e-bikes in Whistler is being monitored to inform potential adjustments to our e-bike rules in the coming years. Share feedback at parks@whistler.ca.

