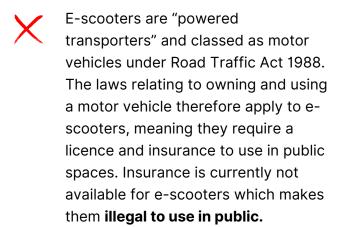
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# EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT E-SCOOTERS

## E-SCOOTERS AND THE LAW

In the UK, the use of privately owned electric scooters, or e-scooters, in public places, such as roads, cycle lanes, pavements and parks, is ILLEGAL.



A privately owned e-scooter can only be used on **private land**.

If you/your child use an e-scooter illegally, you risk facing **criminal prosecution**. If the e-scooter is involved in an accident and **injures or kills someone**, the consequences could be severe.

## INJURIES AND DEATHS

Privately owned e-scooters are illegal to use in public for a reason. They can be **dangerous**, even in the control of experienced adults. They are **not suitable to be used by children**, whose understanding of risk is still developing and who are not familiar with the rules of the road.

According to the Parliamentary Advisory Council for Transport Safety (PACTS), there have been **49 deaths from e-scooter accidents** (as of May 2025). In 2023, there were **1,292 collisions** with **1,387 casualties**.

The main types of injuries caused by e-scooter accidents are **head injuries**, **fractures** and **soft tissue injuries**.





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### IN LOVING MEMORY OF JACOB CALLAND

10th June 2010 - 27th March 2025

Jacob Calland died aged 14 years and 9 months on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2025. Jacob made a split second decision to ride on the back of another boy's escooter. They collided with a car and Jacob was thrown into the opposite side of the road where he landed in front of oncoming traffic. The force of the impact was so strong that Jacob's trainers came off. Neither boy was wearing a helmet or other safety equipment. Jacob suffered a catastrophic head injury and died in hospital after spending 8 days in intensive care.

Jacob's mum, Carly, never allowed Jacob to have an e-scooter and had warned him about their dangers. Carly wants to educate parents and young people about the use of e-scooters and to campaign for tighter laws around their use.

#### **OUR CAMPAIGN**

We believe there need to be urgent changes made to the law around the sale and use of private e-scooters, in order to save lives. We ask that the government:

- Ban the sale and use of e-scooters to/by anyone under the age of 18 and who does not hold an e-scooter licence;
- Introduce an e-scooter licence scheme;
- Require e-scooter owners to have insurance;
- Make it mandatory to e-scooter users to wear a helmet and safety equipment;
- Prohibit e-scooter users from carrying passengers;
- Actively enforce the law and impose tougher penalties on those who break the law, including parents who knowingly allow their child to use or own an escooter;
- Raise awareness amongst the public, particularly parents and children around the dangers of using e-scooters and the laws around them.

#### **JOIN OUR JOURNEY NOW**

To highlight the dangers of illegal e-scooter use, Carly has made a harrowing film telling the story of what happened to Jacob following the accident he was involved in. She has also set up an e-petition calling on the government to urgently change the law. Jacob's story has been reported on in the media, including Carly appearing on ITV and the BBC.

To watch the film and support our campaign, scan the QR code.

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