

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN
STATE UNIVERSITY

Office of the General Counsel

POLICY SUMMARY FORM

Policy Name: Skating, Skateboarding, and Motorized Scooters

Policy Number: 13.20

Is this policy new, being reviewed/revised, or deleted? Review/Revise

Date of last revision, if applicable: 4/30/2019

Unit(s) Responsible for Policy Implementation: Vice President for Finance and Administration

Purpose of Policy (what does it do): The purpose of this regulation is to establish guidelines governing the use of skateboards, rollerblades, or other types of skating apparatuses.

Reason for the addition, revision, or deletion (check all that apply):

Scheduled Review Change in law Response to audit finding

Internal Review Other, please explain:

Please complete the appropriate section:

Specific rationale for new policy: N/A

Specific rationale for each substantive revision:

Specific rationale for deletion of policy: N/A

Additional Comments:

Definitions added and text updates for clarification.

Reviewers:

Judith Kruwell, Interim Vice President for Finance and Administration

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Original Implementation: January 24, 1989

Last Revision: April 12~~30~~, 2022~~19~~

Purpose

The purpose of this regulation is to establish guidelines governing the use of skateboards, rollerblades, or other types of skating apparatuses.

Definitions:

Skateboard *is* – a non-motorized device where two or more wheels are attached to a platform upon which the rider stands.

Rollerblades are *a* –shoe or device that attaches to a shoe, having one or more sets of wheels.

Hover Board *is* – a motorized personal vehicle consisting of a platform for the feet mounted on two wheels and controlled by the way the rider distributes their weight.

Motorized Scooters ~~are~~ – a power stand-up scooters using a small unit gas engine or electric motor.

Regulations:

1. Persons choosing to ride a skateboard or use rollerblades may do so as a means of transportation only on sidewalks while on the university campus.
2. Persons riding a skateboard or rollerblades shall keep all of the wheels on the ground while operating them as a means of transportation. At no time shall a rider perform any stunts or acts that could be deemed as stunts, or act in a way that impedes pedestrian traffic on the sidewalks.
3. The rider shall refrain from using a skateboard or rollerblades on any public street, parking garage facility, Homer Bryce Stadium, Johnson Coliseum, or in any building.
4. Persons riding a skateboard or rollerblades shall yield the right of way to all pedestrians, motorized vehicles, and bicycles.
5. Persons riding a skateboard or rollerblades shall not ride in or around any areas of construction on the university campus.
6. The use or storage of hover boards on campus is prohibited.
7. Motorized scooters *and motorized skateboards* are prohibited on campus unless prescribed by a qualified medical provider with appropriate medical documentation. Students must also receive approval by the Office of Disability Services.

8. Events that have been prearranged, with proper facility reservations, approval from the University Police Department, and under the direct supervision of the Campus Recreation Department, such as skateboarding club or rollerblading club practices and competitions, are not subject to these regulations.

Any person who violates all or part of this policy may be subject to disciplinary actions through the university and an order to immediately remove the skateboard or rollerblades from the university campus.

Cross Reference: Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities (2.2); Parking and Traffic Regulations (13.14), as related to bicycles

Responsible for Implementation: Vice President for *Finance and Administration* ~~University Affairs~~

Contact for Revision: Chief of University Police

Forms: None

Board Committee Assignment: Building and Grounds