Thinking of buying an E-Scooter for Christmas?



You could be breaking the law!

Can I ride my e-scooter to school or work?

No, it's illegal...

E-scooters are classed as motor vehicles and are required to be taxed and insured. It's not possible to get insurance for privately owned e-scooters, which means it's illegal to use them even though it is legal to buy them.

Can I ride my e-scooter on the pavement?

No, it's illegal...

You cannot use e-scooters on public footpaths, cycle lanes or roads.

What happens if I'm caught using my e-scooter in public spaces?

The scooter may be seized and as a result, destroyed.

If stopped by Police you could receive a £300 fine and 6 penalty points on your driving licence for no insurance - even if you haven't got one yet! Parents of young people could also receive points for 'permitting' the use on a road.

THINK BEFORE YOU BUY:
The number of electrical scooters being used on our streets has risen, as well as reports of serious injuries.

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