

# Know the Rules Before You Ride!

## E-bikes on roads, trails, and sidewalks

### ON THE ROAD

- Ride with traffic, not against it
- Use a bike lane or paved shoulder when one is available
- Stop at all stop signs and red lights
- Signal turns and stops when it's safe to do so
- Riders under 16 must wear a helmet

### ON SIDEWALKS

- Easton allows sidewalk riding only for riders 13 and under
- Riders over 13 must use the road or a trail, not the sidewalk
- Electric wheelchairs and other mobility devices are always allowed on sidewalks, regardless of age

**No matter the device, use hand signals!**

#### 1. LEFT TURN



LEFT ARM STRAIGHT OUT,  
POINTING LEFT.

#### 2. RIGHT TURN



LEFT ARM BENT UP,  
HAND POINTING UP.

#### 3. STOP / SLOW



LEFT ARM BENT DOWN,  
PALM FACING BACKWARD.

#### 4. HAZARD AHEAD



POINT DOWNWARD TO SIGNAL  
HAZARD ON THE RIGHT.

# Trail Etiquette: Share the Space

- Slow down around walkers, runners, and other riders
- Announce yourself before passing. A simple “on your left” works
- Stay to the right; pass on the left
- Yield to pedestrians and slower trail users
- Keep a safe, controlled speed, trails aren't the place to test top speed



## An “e-moto” is NOT an e-bike!

- **Class 1 & 2 e-bikes:** generally allowed on roads, bike lanes, and most local trails
- **Class 3 e-bikes (28 mph assist):** restricted on many bike paths and natural-surface trails unless the path runs next to a road or is specifically marked open to Class 3
- Some state and local trails restrict e-bikes entirely. Check posted signs before you ride. (Md. Transportation Code §§21-1205.1, 21-1205.2, 21-1207.1)

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