

When parking your motorcycle in a parking lot, be considerate by parking your motorcycle parallel to and in the centre of the lot.

When you leave your parked motorcycle, you should always use the handlebar steering lock.

Do not park on a steep slope as it is unsafe to do so.

PEDESTRIANS AND CYCLISTS

297. Give pedestrians and cyclists plenty of room as they might change direction suddenly. Do not sound the horn when you are close to pedestrians as you might scare and cause them to react irrationally, resulting in an accident.

Do not obstruct pedestrians by stopping on the pedestrian crossing. On wet roads, slow down when you are near pedestrians and cyclists so as to not splash them with water from the road.

PATIENCE

298. Always be patient. Do not rush or lose your cool on the road.

It is not gracious to show any provocative gesture when other drivers do something wrong or cause inconvenience to you.

No one would deliberately get himself/herself involved in an accident.

Indicate that you are sorry when you have caused inconvenience to others. This will soothe the other driver.

When a learner driver stalls at a junction, you should be patient as you expect them to make mistakes.

PROBATIONARY DRIVERS

299. Be patient and prepare for probationary drivers who appear to be inexperienced to react more slowly.

USE OF MOBILE COMMUNICATION DEVICE WHILE DRIVING OR RIDING

("Use", in relation to a mobile communication device, means to hold it in at least one hand while operating any of its functions)

300. It is an offence to use a mobile communication devices [including mobile telephone and any hand held devices (e.g. tablets, walkie-talkies, handheld gaming consoles, etc) which are designed or capable of being used for a communicative function) when driving, riding a motorcycle or bicycle. Should you need to use the mobile communication device while riding, you should ride to a safe place such as a carpark and use it when you are stationary. Communicative function, in this context, refers to any of the following functions:

- (a) Sending or receiving oral or written messages;
- (b) Sending or receiving electronic documents;
- (c) Sending or receiving still or moving images;
- (d) Sending or receiving audio or video files; and
- (e) Providing access to the internet

Any rider caught using a mobile communication device whilst riding will be charged in court. The penalty for this offence is a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or imprisonment not exceeding 6 months, or both. The offender's driving licence is also likely to be disqualified.

Typical scenarios of using a mobile communication device while riding includes riding with one hand holding a mobile communication device and communicating with another person on that device while the vehicle is in motion; texting with a mobile communication device, dialling a phone number or pressing a button to receive a call while holding the mobile communication device are also against the law. Using hands free devices, such as wireless headsets, is acceptable unless the rider is holding on to the mobile communication device while using the hands free device while the vehicle is in motion.

In short, an offence is committed if the rider satisfies all the 3 conditions below:

- (a) At least one hand is holding a mobile communication device; and
- (b) Rider is using any function of the mobile communication device; and
- (c) The motor vehicle is in motion.