



Queensland

# Rural and Regional Adjustment (E-mobility Rebate Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2024

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made under the

*Rural and Regional Adjustment Act 1994*

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**1 Short title**

This regulation may be cited as the *Rural and Regional Adjustment (E-mobility Rebate Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2024*.

**2 Regulation amended**

This regulation amends the *Rural and Regional Adjustment Regulation 2011*.

**3 Insertion of new sch 62**

After schedule 61—

*insert—*

**Schedule 62 E-mobility rebate scheme**

section 3(1)

**Part 1 Preliminary**

**1 Objective of scheme**

The objective of the scheme is to make eligible devices more affordable for particular individuals.

**2 Purpose of assistance**

The purpose of the scheme is to provide rebates to particular individuals to offset the cost of purchasing an eligible device.

**3 Definitions for schedule**

In this schedule—

**applicant** means an individual applying for assistance under the scheme.

**e-bicycle** means a power-assisted bicycle under the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995*, schedule 4.

*Note—*

The Queensland Road Rules, section 353B prescribes vehicles that are, and vehicles that are not, power-assisted bicycles.

**eligible device** see section 4.

**e-scooter** see section 5.

**scheme** means the scheme set out in this schedule.

#### 4 Meaning of **eligible device**

- (1) An **eligible device** is an e-bicycle or e-scooter that—
  - (a) has not previously been sold or used; and
  - (b) is fitted with a battery management system; and
  - (c) is supplied with a charger that—
    - (i) is marked with the regulatory compliance mark in compliance with the RCM standard; and
    - (ii) is registered in the national register under the *Electrical Safety Act 2002*.
- (2) However, an **eligible device** does not include an accessory for the device, other than a charger for the device.

*Examples of accessories for an eligible device—*

- helmets
- baskets, lights, mirrors or locks that are not part of the eligible device

- (3) In this section—

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**battery management system** means a system designed to manage the charging and discharging of cells in a battery to enable a safe range of voltages and currents to be applied or supplied by the battery.

**RCM standard** means AS/NZS 4417 (Regulatory compliance mark for electrical and electronic equipment), published jointly by Standards Australia and Standards New Zealand.

## 5 Meaning of *e-scooter*

- (1) A personal mobility device is an *e-scooter* if—
  - (a) the device has—
    - (i) 1 wheel at the front, and 1 or 2 wheels at the back, of the device; or
    - (ii) 1 or 2 wheels at the front, and 1 wheel at the back, of the device; and
  - (b) the device has a footboard supported by the wheels; and
  - (c) the device is steered by handlebars; and
  - (d) the device is not more than 1,250mm in length by 700mm in width by 1,350mm in height; and
  - (e) the electric motor propelling the device is not capable of operating when the device is going faster than 25km/h.
- (2) In this section—

**personal mobility device** see the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995*, schedule 4.

*Note—*

The Queensland Road Rules, section 15A prescribes requirements for a vehicle to be a personal mobility device.

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## **Part 2                      General provisions for scheme**

### **6    Nature and amount of assistance**

- (1) The nature of the assistance available under the scheme is a rebate to offset the cost of purchasing an eligible device.
- (2) The amount of the assistance is the lesser of the following amounts—
  - (a) the amount mentioned in subsection (3) for the eligible device;
  - (b) the cost of the eligible device (inclusive of GST).
- (3) For subsection (2)(a), the amount is—
  - (a) for an eligible device that is an e-bicycle—\$500; or
  - (b) for an eligible device that is an e-scooter—\$200.

### **7    Eligibility criteria**

- (1) An applicant is eligible to receive assistance under the scheme if the authority is satisfied—
  - (a) the applicant is an adult; and
  - (b) the applicant resides in Queensland; and
  - (c) on or after the day the scheme opens under section 8(a), the applicant purchased an eligible device from an eligible business; and
  - (d) the applicant has paid in full for the eligible device; and
  - (e) the applicant has not purchased the eligible device to be used as part of a business; and

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- (f) the applicant has not already received assistance under the scheme for an eligible device; and
  - (g) no more than 2 other individuals occupying the principal place of residence occupied by the applicant have received assistance under the scheme for an eligible device.
- (2) In this section—
- eligible business* means—
- (a) a retail business in Queensland; or
  - (b) an online business for which an entity holds an Australian Business Number.

## 8 Operation of scheme

The scheme—

- (a) opens on the day stated on the authority's website as the day the scheme opens; and
- (b) closes on the earlier of the following days—
  - (i) the day stated on the authority's website as the day the scheme closes;
  - (ii) the day on which the authority's assistance funds become insufficient to pay further assistance under the scheme.

## 9 Requirements for applications

- (1) An application for assistance under the scheme must—
- (a) be made using the form approved by the authority; and
  - (b) be accompanied by the documents stated in the form; and

- (c) be given to the authority while the scheme is open under section 8.
- (2) If the authority asks the applicant to provide further information to decide the application, the applicant must provide the information.
- (3) If the applicant does not comply with a request made by the authority under subsection (2), the applicant's application is taken to be withdrawn.

## **10 Deciding applications**

- (1) The authority must consider, and decide to approve or refuse to approve, each application for assistance under the scheme that complies with section 9.
- (2) The authority must decide applications in the order they are received by the authority.
- (3) The authority must refuse to approve an application if the funds for the scheme are insufficient to pay for the assistance.
- (4) If the authority refuses to approve an application, the authority must give the applicant written notice of the decision.

Endnotes

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ENDNOTES

- 1 Made by the Governor in Council on 19 September 2024.
- 2 Notified on the Queensland legislation website on 20 September 2024.
- 3 The administering agency is the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries.

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