On October 1st, 2012, the following amendments to Maryland State law regarding motorized scooter will take effect:

1. Motor scooter owners are required to title their scooters with the Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration. Through this titling process, scooter owners will receive a permanent decal to be displayed on the scooter.

2. Scooter owners will be required to have Personal Injury Protection (PIP) insurance.

3. The scooter operator must carry proof of insurance at all times while the scooter is being operated.

4. Any person operating or riding a motor scooter must wear an MVA approved helmet and eye protection.

Frequently Asked Questions

Do I still need to register my motor scooter with UMD DOTS?
Yes. All motor scooters must be registered with UMD Transportation Services in addition to being titled through the state. Please see the DOTS website for more information about scooter registration.

How will the new motorized scooter laws be enforced on campus?
These new laws are included in the Maryland State Transportation Article relating to motor scooters and will be enforced just as other traffic laws are enforced.

Where can I get more information about these new laws?
The Maryland State MVA will have more information about these laws when they become effective in October. The UMD Department of Public Safety can also provide more information about these laws http://www.umpd.umd.edu/.