

Special Conditions of Carriage for Bicycles and Small Electric Vehicles

1. The term "bicycle" applies to two-wheeled, single-seat bicycles up to 2.0 meters in length, as well as bicycles with an electric assist motor (so-called "Pedelects," not requiring an insurance license plate) with a total weight of up to 40 kilograms.

There is no entitlement to carriage for bicycles with electric assist motors that require insurance. Bicycles with internal combustion engines, mopeds, and motorized bicycles, as well as e-bikes without pedals, are generally not permitted for carriage. Bicycle trailers used to transport children are to be treated in the same way as strollers/prams (see Section 11 in particular). They should be folded up. Bicycle designs intended for persons with disabilities (e.g., tricycles) are to be treated in the same way as wheelchairs (see Section 11 in particular). In rail passenger transport, tandems, bicycle trailers, and special bicycle designs (e.g., recumbent bikes and tricycles) are also transported under the same conditions as bicycles, provided there is sufficient space.

2. Bicycles may be taken along as follows:
 - on passenger rail services, subject to the local and time-based restrictions listed in Section 8.2 of the naldo tariff regulations;
 - on bus services, subject to specific authorization by the transport company; such authorization must be published via a note in the applicable timetable or made public in the customary local manner.

Transport companies may at any time exclude the carriage of bicycles—permitted under the aforementioned rules—for individual trips, or revoke such permission wholly or partially for their respective area of operation; any such exclusion or revocation must be made public in the customary local manner.

3. Where the carriage of bicycles is permitted, the following provisions apply in addition to the general regulations set out in the Conditions of Carriage (see in particular § 11):
 - There is no absolute right to transport a bicycle; carriage is permitted only provided that the safety and orderly conduct of operations are not compromised and other passengers are not endangered or inconvenienced.
Priority for carriage is given to passengers without bicycles, passengers with strollers/prams, and wheelchair users. Operating or accompanying staff shall decide on a case-by-case basis whether bicycles are to be excluded from carriage.
 - Each passenger may take only one bicycle.

- Children under the age of 12 may only bring a bicycle if accompanied by a person aged 12 or older.
 - In rail passenger transport, bicycles may only be stowed in designated bicycle compartments, multi-purpose compartments, areas for bulky items with folding seats, or entrance vestibules; if baggage cars or baggage compartments are available, bicycles must be stowed or handed over there.
 - The transport company's liability for material damage to the bicycle is excluded; this does not apply to damage caused by willful misconduct or gross negligence on the part of the transport company or its staff.
4. For journeys on trains in the IC (Intercity) product category on the Ergenzingen – Herrenberg section, the following also applies: Bicycle carriage requires a reservation and is subject to a fee. The applicable conditions of carriage of Deutsche Bahn AG (DB) apply; consequently, only the DB fare applies.
 5. The following special regulations apply to very small electric vehicles (E-Kleinstfahrzeuge):
 - a) Light and small e-scooters (weight under 15 kg and vehicle length under 1.15 m): The regulations regarding the carriage of hand luggage apply, provided these light and small e-scooters are carried in a folded state (see in particular Section 11).
 - b) Heavy and larger e-scooters (weight over 15 kg or vehicle length over 1.15 m) as well as light and small e-scooters that are not folded: The regulations regarding the carriage of bicycles apply (see in particular Nos. 2–4 above).
 - c) Self-balancing vehicles with a steering or holding bar (e.g., "Seg-way"): There is no entitlement to carriage for these vehicles.
 6. Furthermore, reference is made to Annex 2, No. 3 of the naldo Conditions of Carriage and, regarding tariff regulations, to Nos. 8.2 and 8.3 of the naldo Tariff Provisions.

Special regulations for the Tübingen city fare

For travel on all lines operated by TüBus GmbH (TüBus)—including Line 18 (Omnibus Groß GmbH) and Line 19 (Regionalverkehr Alb-Bodensee GmbH/RAB)—within the Tübingen city fare zone (for the area of validity, see Appendix 5A of the *naldo* fare regulations), the *naldo* conditions of carriage apply, along with the following additional rules:

1. Regarding § 4

Passengers are also prohibited from:

- consuming alcoholic beverages,
- carrying beverages in open containers, and
- consuming food that emits strong odors or is likely to quickly soil the vehicle (e.g., French fries or ice cream).

2. Regarding § 7 Para.

In vehicles equipped with ticket machines, tickets must be purchased from the machine. If the machine is out of order, payment must be made to the driver, provided that driver sales are available. The driver must be notified immediately if the machine is out of order. The mobile ticket machines on the buses accept coins as well as German debit cards (*Girocard*) and credit cards. Stationary ticket machines located at specific bus stops also accept banknotes with values of €5.00, €10.00, €20.00, and €50.00. The denominations accepted vary depending on the amount payable. Combined payment using different payment methods is not possible.

3. Regarding § 11

Electric wheelchairs (motorized mobility aids) are accepted for transport provided their total weight—i.e., unladen weight plus the user's body weight plus any additional load—does not exceed 300 kg.

Electric mobility scooters are transported only in vehicles equipped with a wheelchair space that complies with UN/ECE Regulation No. 107.

In instances where multiple users of electric wheelchairs and electric mobility scooters wish to begin a journey at the same time, the electric wheelchair user has priority. In instances where multiple users of electric mobility scooters wish to begin a journey at the same time, priority is given to the holder of a severe disability pass (categories G or aG).

Electric mobility scooters classified as motor vehicles under road traffic regulations are not transported.

Electric mobility scooters with direct steering via a steering column are transported only if the following conditions are met:

- 4-wheeled vehicle,
- maximum overall length of 1,200 mm,
- maximum total weight, i.e. Unladen weight plus user's body weight plus additional load: 300 kg,
- guaranteed stability provided by a braking system that always acts simultaneously on both wheels of an axle and cannot be bypassed by a differential (e.g., a separate parking brake),
- sufficient ground clearance and climbing ability to enter and exit the bus via a ramp with a maximum gradient of 12% without the base plate striking the transition point between the ramp and the vehicle,
- suitability for reversing into the scheduled service bus,
- the electric mobility device must be capable of withstanding the forces exerted against the backrest when positioned facing rearwards with the user seated—specifically up to 0.8 g during emergency braking or 0.5 g lateral forces during cornering,
- the manufacturer of the electric mobility device must have expressly authorized—in the operating manual—the transport of the device with the user seated in suitable public transport buses when positioned facing rearwards at a wheelchair space in accordance with the criteria mentioned above.