



DEPARTMENT NOTICE

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Proper Disposition of Bicycles and Scooters that are the Property of Bicycle - Scooter Rental/Share Companies

The City and County of San Francisco has seen a rapid increase of bicycle/scooter "Share" companies.

The Property Control Division (PCD) has come across these street rental bicycles/scooters while doing the daily evidence/property pick-ups from District Stations. Officers have booked these share bicycles/scooters as found property, property for safe keeping or in some cases, booked as personal property.

Per Property Control Division's right of refusal policy, PCD will not accept rental bicycles or scooters booked as personal property, found property or property for safe keeping.

The only rental bicycles/scooters that PCD will accept are those that are integral pieces of evidence relating to a crime (other than 496 PC investigations) or a traffic collision.

In the event one of these bicycles or scooters are seized as part of a 496 PC investigation, PCD will only take custody at the request of the sergeant/inspector assigned to the investigation and a verifiable case assignment entry is made into CDW.

Officers have the option of contacting the bicycle/scooter companies for pick up if needed. These bicycles/scooters are clearly marked with a company name and contact information.

Questions regarding this notice can be directed to Property Control Division at 415-553-1377.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "William Scott".

WILLIAM SCOTT
Chief of Police

Any questions or clarification regarding this policy should be made to sfpd.writtendirectives@sfgov.org who will provide additional guidance about this directive.