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Transportation Policy

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MOTOR VEHICLES

INESLE students may not possess or rent motor vehicles in Madrid. Students may not accept rides from passing motorists. However, rides are permitted if:

1. The licensed driver is an INESLE member.
2. The licensed driver is a Host Family member.

VEHICLES AND SAFETY

The most common form of transportation around the school and to downtown Madrid is by foot and by bus/underground. INESLE students are not permitted to have or to operate any motorized vehicles, including cars, motorcycles, mopeds, or motorized scooters, while they are at INESLE Madrid Summer Program. With permission, and always accompanied by a host family member, students may use public transportation or a taxi service.

Pedestrian Safety

Students should take special care in crossing any street, always watching traffic, and crossing at the pedestrian crosswalks.

Cars

Spanish driving law minimum age to drive a car is 18 years old so INESLE students may not bring automobiles (or any other motorized vehicle) to INESLE Summer Program, and they may not drive any vehicle while in Spain. They may ride in a private car only if it is driven by a parent, a faculty member, or an adult approved by the MD of the program. Hitchhiking is prohibited by the program. Given the dangers inherent in hitchhiking, INESLE Summer Program disciplines students who hitchhike.

We expect drivers and passengers to obey all Spanish laws (e.g., refraining from phone/texting use, driving within the speed limit, wearing seat belts, carrying the legal number of people, refraining from driving with permit drivers, etc.).

Taxis

Students may only use any form of taxi or car service with a host family member or INESLE staff.

Bicycles

Students are allowed to use bicycles always with a host family member. Students with bicycles are expected to register them with the MD, to lock them when not in use, and to obey all rules of the road, including the use of proper lighting and reflectors at night. For their safety students should wear helmets when riding.

Transportation to cultural activities and trip excursions

Students will use program-provided transportation like buses.