

The Cost of Running an Electric Mountain Bike

There are many things that can cost money while running an emtb. In this article, we will provide with all the details.

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-- Electric bikes are gaining much more popularity these days. Owning an ebike is not a dream anymore. When the first bunch of ebikes were produced, many people couldn't afford a bike of high cost. Nowadays, as more and more ebike brands spring up, the average price of electric bikes is quite acceptable for many of us. However, to own an electric mountain bike, not only do riders purchase it, but also they spend some money running the electric mountain bike as there are many things that can cost money.

1. Cost of Charging [Electric Mountain Bikes](#)

Obviously, electricity costs money. Depending on what size battery riders have got and the means of charging it, it's all going to come at a cost. If it is charging a fully flat battery, charging times will be around 4 to 6 hours. A yearly cost for this it's going to be around \$43 to \$60 if charging a flat battery every single day. Not all batteries are the same. Some batteries like Magicycle's 20Ah batteries are of more battery capacity, so it is going to cost more electricity to fully charge them.

2. Replacing Cassettes of Electric Mountain Bikes



Electric Mountain Bikes



White and Midnight Blue Electric Mountain Bikes

The cassette on our e-bike is a highway item and riders usually have to replace it around once or twice a year. When it comes to replacing the cassette, riders often have to replace the chain and the chainring too. For the cassette, they always will have two options: budget ones and premium ones. To purchase a budget cassette, ebike riders can first search for opinions on electric mountain bike forums, which is a great way to purchase a cassette of average quality and a nice price.



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Also, to buy a premium cassette of higher quality, it could be better to look for advice as a high price is not always equal to high quality. Ebike riders don't want to be fools who spend a lot of money buying trash [ebike components](#). With a lot more budget, ebike riders could purchase a cassette that is more durable. It could kind of save cash too in the long run.

3. Change Emtb Chains

The chain on our electric mountain bike is probably one of the high-wear items that ebike riders will have to replace over some time, but keeping on top of lubricating our chain, degreasing it, and inspecting it for wear is an important thing to do as well. If A rider does run a worn-out chain, it's going to take out all those other items on our drivetrain, such as chainring and cassette. That's obviously going to be quite costly.

Normally, ebike chains could be changed every 2000 miles. However, if someone always rides off-road on electric mountain bikes, maybe he could replace them more often, like every 1500 miles. A new emtb chain costs an average of \$25 to \$50. As for the yearly cost of replacing it, well, it is quite hard to nail down because all ebike riders look after our kit differently and ride in different conditions. Maybe two emtb chains should probably suffice for many ebike riders, so the yearly cost could be around \$50 to \$100.

4. Cleaning [Emtbs](#)

Ebike riders can keep their electric mountain bikes looking fresh and nice, and obviously, water is going to come in at zero cost. However, if they start adding ebike cleaners into these lubes and degreasers, that amount is steadily going to rise. A power washer for washing our electric mountain bikes is not a necessity, but it definitely makes a job a lot easier, especially in those hard winter months. Moreover, any ebike rider will definitely need a basic care package at a minimum.

So, here comes a couple of options when it comes to cleaning electric mountain bikes. First, it's going to be involved in the power washer and a range of cleaning products, like lubes and degreasers. That is going to come in at roughly \$300. If somebody wants to take the power washer out of the mix and just have a basic care package, it is roughly going to cost about \$70. Keeping electric mountain bikes nice and fresh is definitely going to make those components last a lot longer, so never underestimate it.

5. Replace Emtb Tires

The tires on our electric mountain bikes can be another highway item, particularly if ebike riders are running soft compound tires in harsh conditions, they can wear up pretty darn quickly. Of course, the weight of electric mountain bikes is something ebike riders could bring into the equation too. If they hit a rock, it's quite easy to damage and slice the tires.

When it comes to replacing that rubber, there are loads of options out there. Ebike riders don't necessarily need to buy specific tires for electric mountain bikes. They can get budget options ranging from around \$40 up to about \$90.

Tires that ebike riders choose to run on our emtbs are super important, and One question could be asked before purchasing them: range first or grip first? If it is a range, then a pair of skinny tires that give a lot of range could help. However, if it is the grip, then maybe a soft compound big-volume tire with an aggressive tread pattern is needed, which is going to give loads of grip. The yearly cost of replacing rubber comes down to how much mileage is done and how aggressively people ride. It could range between \$145 and \$180.

By the way, all the prices given are estimated. And they can be various based on different situations.

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