

Some Things to Remember

- ❖ You must wear a helmet if you are under 18 years of age.
- ❖ If you were born on or after January 1st, 1988 you must possess an ATV safety certificate.
- ❖ Your ATV must be registered with the State of Wisconsin.
- ❖ You must yield the right of way to all vehicle traffic and pedestrians.
- ❖ You must obey all regulatory signs such as stop signs, yield and speed signs.
- ❖ Speed must be reduced to 10 MPH when you are within 150 feet of any residence devoted to human occupancy.
- ❖ It is illegal to ride in a careless manner which endangers persons or property.
- ❖ It is illegal to operate at a speed that is unreasonable or imprudent.
- ❖ Operation on city property such as parks and cemeteries is illegal. You must remain on paved surfaces in these locations.
- ❖ You may not ride in the ditch alongside Hy-10.
- ❖ You may not ride on the Friendship trail.
- ❖ Roads adjacent to the City such as Center Rd. Hacker Rd. and Hy-10 are not legal to ride.
- ❖ The noise level must be 96 db or less at 20"/45° and half throttle.

Basic Safety Code

- Do not consume alcohol or take drugs prior to or during operation.
- Use a proper size ATV helmet, goggles, or visor that is at minimum, DOT certified.
- Slow down and don't cut to the inside of the trail at corners, it's dangerous and illegal.
- If you operate your machine at night, don't override your lights.
- Follow the manufacturer's recommendation and state laws regarding safe transport of passengers on your machine.
- Familiarize yourself with the area before you ride it. Have a map, GPS or smartphone app to assist you with safely navigating the trails.
- If traveling on the ice, check with local law enforcement, DNR or bait shops for the most current ice conditions.

If you don't know the ice conditions; don't go.

- Wear a long sleeve shirt and pants, gloves and have other appropriate clothing along depending on the weather.
- Always conduct a pre-ride inspection on your machine to make sure it is operating safely and legally.
- Know the weather forecast, especially the ice and snow conditions in the area.
- Always completely read the Owner's Manual before operating your machine.
- Always use the buddy system and ride with at least one other person.
- Plan your ride and ride your plan. Leave details of your trip location(s), approximate arrival time(s), who you are riding with, etc. at your home, hotel, cabin or other location where people will be able to find it in case of an emergency. Failing to stick with the details of your plan may result in lack of timely assistance or rescue if you need it.

Helmet Requirements

We need your help! Each year the majority of all ATV/UTV deaths in Wisconsin involve operators that were not wearing a helmet. Many of these victims may have survived their injuries had they only been wearing a helmet. Please set a good example for children and others by always wearing a helmet whether you're legally required to or not.

All ATV/UTV operators and passenger under the age of 18 are required to wear a minimum DOT standard ATV or motorcycle helmet. Bicycle helmets do not meet this requirement.



Helmet Exceptions:

Helmets are not required in the following situations:

- While operating on lands under the management and control of your immediate family*
- While operating for agricultural purposes*
- While operating for the purpose of hunting and fishing.
- If the operator is age 18 and older.

Helmets for Passengers:

If circumstances would require you to wear a helmet as the operator then you, as a passenger, must wear a helmet. For example, a passenger riding on an ATV on land NOT under the management and control of their immediate family* would be required to wear a helmet."