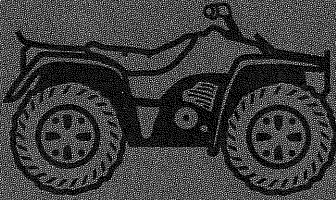


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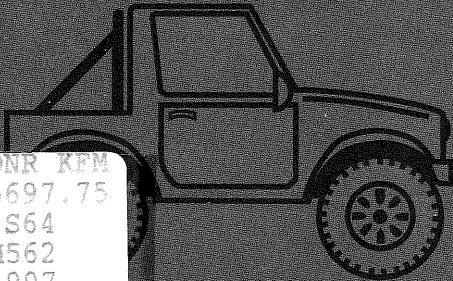
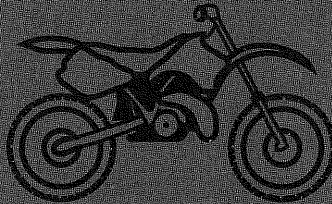
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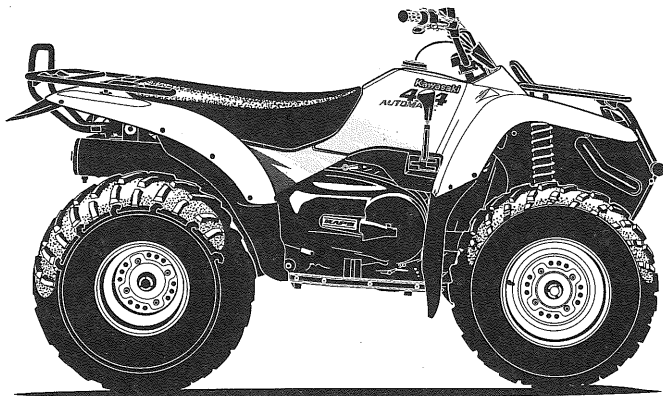
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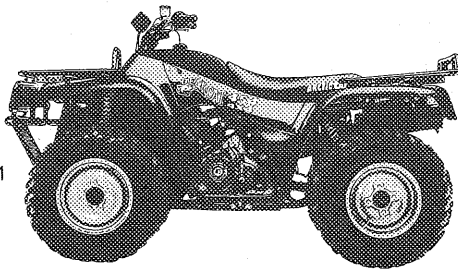
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Welcome

People enjoy using recreational motor vehicles for trail-riding, off-road transportation, competition and other activities. Your attitude toward your surroundings and your behavior as a rider affect the attitudes of other outdoor users, landowners and lawmakers. Ride responsibly!

If you tread lightly on the environment, are courteous to others, respect private property and obey the law, you are contributing to the positive image of recreational motor vehicle activities. Responsible riders are also safe riders. Be sure to wear appropriate protective gear and maintain your machine. Don't take chances that endanger yourself or others.

Remember, the future of recreational motor vehicles in Minnesota depends on your responsible behavior today.

SAFETY FIRST!

- ◆ Read the owner's manual and know your vehicle.
- ◆ Check your vehicle before you ride.
- ◆ Lend your vehicle to skilled riders only.
- ◆ Always supervise young or inexperienced riders.
- ◆ Never carry a passenger on vehicles intended for one-person use.
- ◆ Ride straight—no alcohol or drugs.
- ◆ Let trail conditions determine safe speeds.
- ◆ Stay to the right on trails.
- ◆ Stay away from open water and thin ice.
- ◆ Know the weather forecast.
- ◆ Use your taillight and headlight.
- ◆ Maintain safe distances when riding with others.
- ◆ Reduce your speed when riding at night.
- ◆ Always yield to other motor vehicles and trail users.
- ◆ Young or beginning riders should take an all-terrain vehicle or off-highway motorcycle safety training course offered by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

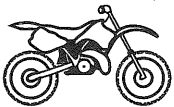
DEFINITIONS

The term **Recreational Motor Vehicle** is used to describe all-terrain vehicles, off-highway motorcycles and off-road vehicles.

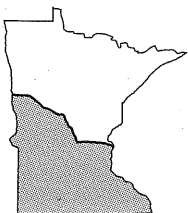
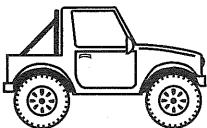
All-terrain vehicles (ATVs) are motorized, flotation-tired vehicles with at least three, but no more than six low pressure tires, with an engine displacement of less than 800 cubic centimeters and total dry weight of less than 800 pounds. ATVs with a total dry weight of more than 800 pounds are classified as ORVs.



Off-highway motorcycles (OHMs) are motorized, off-highway vehicles traveling on two wheels. OHMs have a seat or saddle designed to be straddled by the operator and have handlebars for steering control. Motorcycles may be legal for highway use and still considered to be OHMs if used for off-highway operation on trails or natural terrain.



Off-road vehicles (ORVs) are motorized, recreational vehicles capable of cross-country travel on natural terrain, such as four-wheel-drive trucks. Vehicles NOT considered ORVs include snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, motorcycles, watercraft or aircraft. Farm, logging, military, emergency, law enforcement, utility, trail-grooming and construction vehicles are not considered to be ORVs when used for their intended purpose.



Agricultural Zone means the areas in Minnesota lying south and west of a line along the following highway right-of-ways: Starting at the North Dakota border, the line goes east along State Highway 10 to State Highway 23, then follows

Highway 23 east to State Highway 95, which it follows to the Wisconsin border. The agricultural zone referred to in this guide applies only to ATV use.

Public Road Right-of-Way means the entire right-of-way of a roadway that is not privately owned, including the traveled portions, banks, ditches, shoulders and medians.

Off-road vehicle use areas are areas posted or designated for off-road vehicle use.



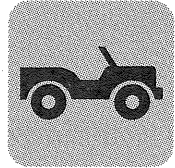
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Off-road vehicle staging area means a parking lot, trail head, campground or other location to which an off-road vehicle is transported by truck, trailer or another motor vehicle for use on public lands.

RECREATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLES

REGISTRATION

All ATVs operated in Minnesota must be registered with the DNR.

OHMs operated on public lands or waters must be registered with the DNR.

ORVs operated off-road must be registered with the DNR. In addition, individuals may not have ORVs which are not licensed for highway use in possession at an ORV staging area, designated trail or other designated area unless the vehicle has been registered with the DNR for off-road use.

An individual must be at least 18 years old to register a recreational motor vehicle. Registration is valid for up to three years.

Anyone who sells a recreational motor vehicle must provide a bill of sale to the buyer.

Minnesota registration is NOT required for:

Recreational motor vehicles that are government owned.

Recreational motor vehicles registered in another state or country and not in Minnesota for more than 30 days.

ATVs and OHMs that are used exclusively in organized track racing events.

OHMs used on private land with the landowner's permission.

OHMs registered for highway use when operated on forest roads to gain access to a state forest campground.



How To Register A Recreational Motor Vehicle

Recreational motor vehicles can be registered at a deputy registrar of motor vehicles office (where automobile licenses are handled) or at the DNR License Bureau in St. Paul.

The information required for registration of a recreational motor vehicle includes the make, model, year, serial number, and sales receipt. For ATV and OHM registration the engine size is also required.

- ◆ ATVs purchased from a retail dealer must be registered by the dealer. Transfers and registration renewals are the responsibility of the owner.
- ◆ OHMs purchased from a retail dealer and *intended to be used on public lands or waters* must be registered by the dealer. Transfers and registration renewals are the responsibility of the owner.
- ◆ A registration number and a decal are issued when an ATV or OHM is registered. The registration card is mailed to the owner.
- ◆ Because ORVs are sold primarily for highway use, owners must register their own ORVs for off-road use. The owner is given a registration card and decals at the time of registration.

Individuals are not required to carry the registration card, but it must be provided within a reasonable time period when an enforcement officer requests to see it.

Alternative and Multiple Registrations

ATV

Private Use Registration: ATVs may be registered for private use when used exclusively for agricultural activities or harvesting wood, or used exclusively on private property. A private use registration is valid until the ownership of the

ATV is transferred and is not transferable.

Dual Registration: Some circumstances require ATVs to be registered for both public and private use. Public use registration covers most situation where the private use registration is required, but it does not cover certain situations where ATVs must be operated on roadways. Public use registration allows for operation of ATVs on the outer slope of roadside ditches along state and county roads, and, if local laws do not prohibit, on the extreme right side of township roads. It does not, however, allow for operation on the road surface. If an ATV is used for agricultural purposes which require operation on the road surface, a private use registration is required. If the same ATV is also used on public land or water, both public and private use registrations are required.

OHM

Dual Registration: Some OHMs are equipped in such a manner that they may be legally licensed for highway use. An OHM licensed for highway use, which is also used off-road on public lands or waters must have both the regular motorcycle license and the DNR OHM registration.

ORV

Dual Registration: Most ORVs are licensed for highway use. An ORV licensed for highway use, which is also operated off-road in designated public ORV use areas must have both the regular vehicle license and the DNR ORV registration.

Dealer and Manufacturer Registration

All recreational motor vehicles owned by dealers or manufacturers and operated for testing or demonstration purposes must be registered with the DNR License Bureau. A registration certificate and a registration plate will be issued.



REGISTRATION FEES

ATV Registration Fees

	Fee	Filing Fee	Duration
Public Use Registration	18.00	2.00	3 calendar years
Transfer	4.00	2.00	
Duplicate	4.00	2.00	
Private/Agricultural	6.00	2.00	As long as machine is held by same party
Private/Agricultural Duplicate	4.00	2.00	
Dealer	50.00	2.00	1 year
Manufacturer	150.00	2.00	1 year

OHM Registration Fees

	Fee	Filing Fee	Duration
New Registration	30.00	2.00	3 calendar years
Transfer	4.00	2.00	
Duplicate	4.00	2.00	
Dealer	50.00	2.00	1 year
Manufacturer	150.00	2.00	1 year

ORY Registration Fees

	Fee	Filing Fee	Duration
New Registration	30.00	2.00	3 calendar years
Transfer	4.00	2.00	
Duplicate	4.00	2.00	
Dealer	50.00	2.00	1 year
Manufacturer	150.00	2.00	1 year

The registration certificate must be prominently displayed in the place of business.

The registration plate must be displayed on the rear of the vehicle before dealers or manufacturers may operate or permit operation of any recreational motor vehicle they own or control.

Dealer and manufacturer license applications and plates are ONLY available at the DNR License Bureau, 500 Lafayette Rd., St. Paul, MN 55155-4026. Phone 1(800) 285-2000 or (612) 296-2316.

Display of Numbers and Decals

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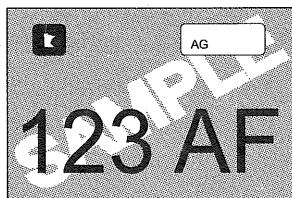
ATVs registered for public use or with a dual registration must display current public use registration number and decal(s) on a plate at least 4 inches high and 7½ inches long. The plate must be clearly visible on the back of the vehicle and at least 12 inches from the ground. For a public use registration, the decal must be displayed in the upper left section of the plate. For a dual registration, the private use decal must also be displayed on the plate, in the upper right corner. The plate and decal must be maintained in a clean and legible condition.

Registration letters and numbers must be:

- ◆ at least 1 inch high with a 3/16-inch stroke.
- ◆ in English and placed from left to right.
- ◆ in a color that contrasts with the background of the plate.



ATV Public Use



ATV Dual Registration



ATVs registered for private use only must display the private use decal in the upper right section of the plate. No numbers are needed for this type of registration.



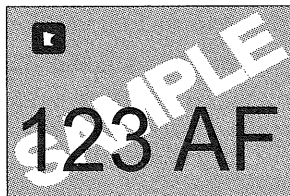
ATV Private Use

OHM

OHMs registered only for off-road use must display current registration number and decal on a plate at least 4 inches high and 7½ inches long. The plate must be clearly visible on the back of the vehicle and at least 12 inches from the ground. The decal must be displayed in the upper left section of the plate. The plate and decal must be maintained in a clean and legible condition.

Registration letters and numbers must be:

- ◆ at least 1 inch high with a $\frac{3}{16}$ -inch stroke.
- ◆ in English and placed from left to right.
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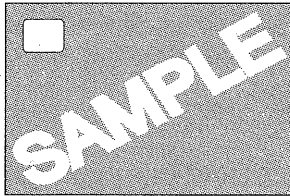
OHMs licensed in Minnesota for highway use and also used off-road on public lands or waters must display the OHM decal in the upper left section of the regular motorcycle license plate. The DNR registration number should not be displayed.



OHM Highway and Off-Road Use

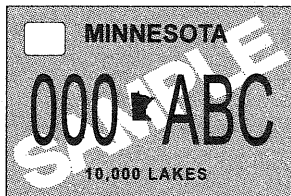
ORV

ORVs registered only for off-road use must display the current decal on a plate at least 4 inches high and 7½ inches long. No registration number should be displayed. The plate must be clearly visible on the back of the vehicle and at least 12 inches from the ground. The decal must be displayed in the upper left section of the plate. The plate and decal must be maintained in a clean and legible condition.



ORV Off-Road Use Only

ORVs licensed in Minnesota for highway use and also used off-road in designated public ORV use areas must display the ORV decal in the upper left section of the regular motor vehicle license plate. The DNR registration number should not be displayed.



ORV Highway and Off-Road Use



Expiration and Renewal

The expiration date appears on both the registration card and the decal. All public use ATV and all OHM and ORV renewals expire on December 31st of the last year the registration is valid.

Private use ATV registration does not expire. It is valid until the ownership is transferred.

Individuals who notify the DNR of mailing address changes should receive a notice by mail to renew their registration. Whether notified or not, owners are responsible for renewing their public use ATV, OHM and ORV registrations. Renewal fees are the same as the first-time registration fee.

Special Operating Permits

Individuals may apply to the DNR Division of Enforcement for special operating permits for recreational motor vehicles from states that do not require registration. The special operating permits must be used for organized group outings, trail rides, races, rallies, or other promotional events. The permit must be carried by the vehicle operator and is valid for up to 30 days. Contact the DNR Division of Enforcement for more information at (612)297-2368.

Replacement Registration Cards

Recreational motor vehicle owners may obtain a replacement registration card for \$6 from a deputy registrar or the DNR License Bureau. Replacement decals are available from the DNR License Bureau or any conservation officer. Replacement decals and numbers must be affixed in the same manner as the original.

GENERAL OPERATIONS

The following regulations apply to all recreational motor vehicles: all terrain vehicles, off-highway motorcycles and off-road vehicles. Information and regulations specific to each of these vehicle types can be found in the All-Terrain Vehicle, Off-Highway Motorcycle and Off-Road Vehicle sections of this booklet.

Required Equipment

Recreational motor vehicles operated on public lands, waters, trails and roadways must be equipped as follows:

Lights—Headlights and taillights must be on during hours of darkness or reduced visibility.

Brakes—Brakes must control movement, and stop and hold the vehicle.

Throttle—The throttle must return the engine to idle when pressure to advance the throttle is removed.

Mufflers—Mufflers must have a federally approved spark arrestor.

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—Sleds and trailers being used during hours of darkness must have headlights and taillights turned on.

—At least 16 square inches of reflective material must be mounted on each side and at the rear of a sled or trailer.



Where You May Ride

You may operate a recreational motor vehicle:

- ◆ on your own land.
- ◆ on private land with the landowner's permission.
- ◆ on frozen waters where you have legal access (if not restricted by law or local ordinances).

In the seven county metro area, you may ride:

- ◆ on your own land.
- ◆ on land, other than your own, with written or spoken permission of the landowner, occupant or lessee.
- ◆ on land posted with signs specifically permitting the use of recreational motor vehicles.

Where You May NOT Ride

You may not operate a recreational motor vehicle:

- ◆ on the median of a four-lane highway.
- ◆ within the right-of-way of any interstate highway.
- ◆ on the right-of-way between opposing lanes of traffic.
- ◆ at airports.
- ◆ in any state park, state recreation area, state historic site, Wildlife Management Area or state Scientific and Natural Area with the exception of posted trails and areas.
- ◆ on any frozen waters located in a restricted area, or frozen waters where you don't have legal access.
- ◆ in any areas restricted by local ordinances or municipalities.
- ◆ in a tree nursery or planting area.
- ◆ along or on the roadway, shoulder or inside bank or slope of a public right-of-way.

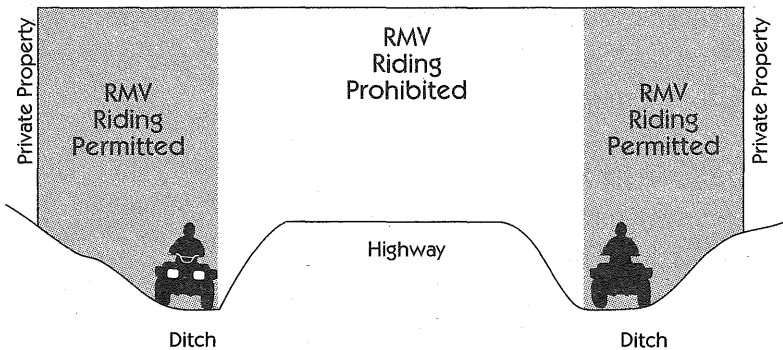
Inside the seven-county metro area, you may not ride:

- ◆ on land you do not own, unless given written or verbal permission to ride on that land by the owner, occupant or lessee.

Outside the seven-county metro area, you may not ride:

- ◆ on land that you have been told verbally, in writing or by posted signs not to ride.

Operation Along State and County Highways



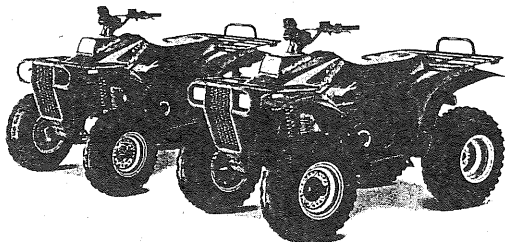
It is illegal to operate on the inside slope, shoulder, and roadway of state and county highways.

Other Prohibitions

You may not:

- ◆ operate a recreational motor vehicle in a careless, reckless or heedless manner that endangers another person or their property.
- ◆ litter.
- ◆ enter or leave lands by cutting wire or tearing down any fence.
- ◆ mutilate, destroy, damage or remove any facility of any trail on state land.

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- ◆ post, damage or remove any signs on any lands or waters unless you are the landowner, occupant or lessee of the property.

Check For Local Regulations or Ordinances

Cities, towns, and counties may further regulate the operation of recreational motor vehicles within their jurisdiction. Check with the appropriate local unit of government for additional regulations.

Speed

You may not operate a recreational motor vehicle at a speed greater than is reasonable under all of the surrounding circumstances or greater than the posted speed limit on any public lands, waters, trails or public road rights of way. Speed limit signs may be erected along specific portions of trail.

The speed limit may be waived in writing by the DNR for an organized race or similar competitive event. Contact the DNR Regional Administrator of the area in which the event will be held.

Trail Riding

- ◆ All trail signs must be obeyed.
- ◆ One-way trails must be traveled in the direction indicated.
- ◆ When meeting or being passed by another trail user, you must stay to the right half of the treadway.
- ◆ When passing another trail user, you must pass on the left half of the treadway and only when the trail is free from oncoming traffic for a sufficient distance to safely pass the other trail user.
- ◆ When entering or crossing a trail treadway you must yield to trail traffic.



- ◆ When two trail users are about to enter an unmarked tread way intersection from different directions, the trail user to the right has the right-of-way.
- ◆ Motorized trail users must yield the right-of-way to non-motorized trail users and shut off their machines when meeting a horse until the horse has passed or until waved on.

Crossing Public Roads

When making a direct crossing of a street or road, you must:

- ◆ come to a complete stop;
- ◆ yield to all traffic;
- ◆ cross the road at a 90 degree angle;
- ◆ cross a divided road only at an intersection;
- ◆ use headlights and taillights from one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise or in conditions of reduced visibility.

Bridges and Obstructions

You may operate a recreational motor vehicle on a bridge, a roadway shoulder or the inside bank of a public road right-of-way if necessary to avoid obstructions to travel. You must remain on the farthest right-hand lane, enter the roadway within 100 feet of the bridge or obstacle and make the crossing without delay.

You may not cross an interstate highway bridge.

Events On State Forest Lands

A permit is required from a DNR area forester to hold an event on state forest lands. The DNR may charge a fee for the use of the land. Security such as a bond or cashier's check may be required to ensure that cleanup, sign removal, damage, repairs and other actions are completed.

For emergencies or authorized special events, the DNR may provide temporary exceptions to the general rules for a specific state park, forest campground, forest day use area or state forest lands. Notice of the exception will be posted at the site.

OPERATING UNDER THE INFLUENCE

A conservation officer, sheriff or other peace officer who has reason to believe you are operating a recreational motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs may ask you to take a sobriety test.

If your blood alcohol concentration exceeds the legal limit of 0.10 you will be charged with driving under the influence. If convicted, you will lose your operating privileges for a year and be fined up to \$700. You may also go to jail.

If you refuse to take the test, you can still be arrested for driving under the influence. You will have to pay a \$500 civil penalty and will automatically lose your recreational motor vehicle privileges for a year or more. You may also be assessed other penalties.

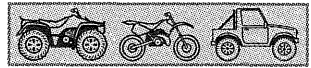
Driving while intoxicated convictions of any type are cumulative and will increase penalties for future convictions of driving while intoxicated.

ENFORCEMENT

Conservation officers, deputy sheriffs, police officers and other peace officers enforce recreational motor vehicle rules. You must stop when signaled by a law enforcement officer.

Penalties

- ◆ A violation of ATV or ORV rules is a misdemeanor.
- ◆ A violation of OHM rules is a petty misdemeanor.



Reporting Stolen, Abandoned or Destroyed Vehicles

A registered recreational motor vehicle that is abandoned, stolen or destroyed must be reported to the DNR within 15 days. Complete the reverse side of the registration certificate and mail it to the DNR License Bureau. No fee is charged for reporting the vehicle.

Accident Reports

The operator and an officer investigating a recreational motor vehicle accident must file a written report of the accident to the DNR within 10 days if:

- ◆ the accident resulted in a human injury requiring medical attention or hospitalization, or death, or:
- ◆ the total damage was \$300 or more for ORVs, or \$500 or more for ATVs or OHMs.

TRESPASS

Ask First!

The trespass law now applies to all outdoor recreation including operation of your recreational motor vehicle.

Landowners, lessees or land managers need only post their land once a year. The signs must be at intervals of 1000 ft (500 ft in wooded areas) or signs may be placed at primary corners and at access points to the property. Signs must state "No Trespassing" or similar words in 2 inch letters and the signature or name and telephone number of the landowner, lessee or manager. There can be civil and criminal penalties for violation of the trespass laws. Civil penalties start at \$50 for first offense, and range up to \$500 and loss of license or registration for a third offense within 3 years.

All conservation and peace officers enforce trespass laws.



You must have permission to:

- ◆ enter legally posted land.
- ◆ enter agricultural land, including Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) land or RIM Reserve Program land.

You may not:

- ◆ wound or kill another person's domestic animal or destroy private property.
- ◆ pass through a closed gate without returning it to the original position.
- ◆ stray off marked trails.

RELATED GAME LAWS

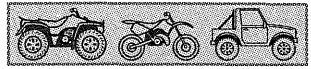
General Restrictions

It is unlawful to:

- ◆ transport a firearm on any recreational motor vehicle unless it is unloaded and completely enclosed in a case.
- ◆ transport an archery bow on any recreational motor vehicle unless it is unstrung or enclosed in a case.
- ◆ use any recreational motor vehicle to chase, run over or kill a wild animal.
- ◆ shoot or attempt to shoot an animal from any recreational motor vehicle without a special disability permit to do so.
- ◆ remove deer, elk, moose or bear from the site of a kill without first attaching the proper tags.

To reduce disturbance during prime hunting hours, a person possessing a valid deer license may operate a recreational motor vehicle during the firearms deer season only:

- ◆ before legal shooting time (one-half hour before sun rise);



- ◆ from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.;

- ◆ after legal shooting hours (one-half hour after sunset).

*The above does not apply to any vehicle licensed for highway use.

A permit to operate a recreational motor vehicle during the legal shooting hours for deer may be issued by a conservation officer in the event of an emergency or another unusual condition.

Special Permits for Disabled Hunters

A special permit that allows a licensed hunter to shoot a firearm from a recreational motor vehicle may be issued to a person who is physically unable to walk. For an application, contact: DNR, 500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155-4047. Phone: 1-800-766-6000. You can also contact DNR regional offices.

The conditions for carrying a firearm do not apply to a disabled person who:

- ◆ possesses a permit to shoot a firearm from a stationary recreational motor vehicle;
- ◆ is participating in a special hunt sponsored by a non-profit organization;
- ◆ is hunting on property he/she owns or leases.

However, a round of ammunition must not be chambered until the vehicle is stationary. The action of a hinge-action firearm must be left open until the vehicle comes to a stop.



ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE REGULATIONS

Safety Tip:

- ◆ Always wear a helmet and protective clothing.

Youthful Operators

It is unlawful for anyone in control of an ATV to permit it to be operated contrary to the following requirements:

Age

Requirement

Under 12

May operate only on private property with permission of the owner.

12 to 16

All-terrain vehicle safety certificate valid only for engine sizes 90cc or less.

May operate an ATV 90cc or less on public lands and waters with safety certificate and under supervision.*

May make a direct crossing of highway with safety certificate and while under supervision.*

Must wear a helmet while operating on public lands, waters and on road rights-of-way.

16 to 18

May operate an ATV on public lands and waters without a safety certificate.

Must have a driver's license to make direct crossing of highway, or operate on road rights-of-way.

Must wear a helmet while operating on public lands, waters and on road rights-of-way.

* "Supervision" means the person's parent, legal guardian, or other person 18 years of age or older who holds a valid driver's license.



ATV Education and Training

The DNR Division of Enforcement administers an ATV safety training program. The course includes ATV familiarization, operating procedures, ATV laws, loading and towing procedures, ethics, safety hazards and environmental consequences.

For a \$5 fee, students who successfully complete the safety training program and written test are issued a safety certificate. Duplicate certificates are available from the DNR if the original is lost or destroyed.

General Operations

Agricultural Zone Restriction: You may not drive an ATV within the right-of-way (ditch) of a state or county highway from April 1 to August 1 in the Agricultural Zone (see definitions on page 4). This does not apply to ATVs licensed and used for agricultural use.

A person with a valid driver's license may operate an ATV registered for private use and being used for agricultural purposes on a public right-of-way of a trunk, county, state aid, or county highway, if the ATV is on the extreme right side of the road. A left turn may be made if it is safe to do so.

The headlight and taillight must be lighted at all times if your ATV is equipped with them.

You may not exceed 10 mph on the frozen surface of public waters within 100 feet of a person fishing or a fishing shelter. Grant-in-aid snowmobile and ski trails are closed to ATVs unless specifically allowed.

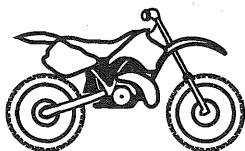
Operation on a Township Road: A person with a valid driver's license may operate an ATV on the extreme right-hand side of a township road, as long as the township does not prohibit it by posting and local ordinance.

ATV Use On State Forest Lands

You may ride on most state forest roads and motorized trails unless they are gated or posted closed. Many roads are closed in the spring to prevent damage. Call the area forestry office for road closure information.

ATVs are prohibited or restricted in some state forests, including Sand Dunes, Rum River, Richard J. Dorer and Birch Lakes. For a listing of ATV opportunities on state forest lands, contact the DNR Information Center at 1-800-766-6000.

Timber harvesting is a major activity. Watch out for logging trucks and stay away from harvesting equipment.



OFF-HIGHWAY MOTORCYCLE REGULATIONS

Safety Tips:

- ◆ Any person who operates an OHM must wear eye protection.
- ◆ Always wear a helmet and protective clothing.
- ◆ Never carry a passenger on vehicles intended for one-person use.

Youthful Operators

It is unlawful for anyone in control of an OHM to allow it to be operated contrary to the following requirements:

Any person under the age of 18 must wear a helmet.

Age

Requirement

Under 12

May not make a direct crossing of a public road right-of-way.

May not operate an off-highway motorcycle on a public road or public road right-of-way.

May not operate an OHM on public lands or waters unless accompanied on another OHM by a person 18 years of age or older.

Under 16

Must possess a valid off-highway motorcycle safety permit to operate an OHM on public lands or waters.

May make a direct crossing of a public road (except an interstate highway) if accompanied on another OHM by a person 18 years of age or older who holds a valid driver's license.

May operate within a road right-of-way that is part of a designated trail when accompanied by a

person 18 years or older who holds a valid drivers license.

16-18

Must have a driver's license to operate an OHM on a public road, and the motorcycle must be licensed for road use. A driver's license is not required on trails, except when the trail is part of the road right-of-way.

OHM Education and Training

The DNR Division of Enforcement administers an OHM safety training program. The course includes OHM familiarization, operating procedures, OHM laws, loading and towing procedures, ethics, safety hazards and environmental consequences.

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General Operations

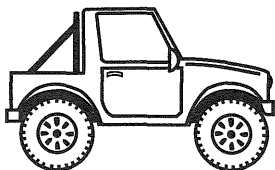
Your OHM must have a headlight, a taillight and brakes to be operated on a public road.

You must wear eye protection when operating an OHM.

You may not operate an OHM within a public road right-of-way unless it is:

- ◆ a trail designated for OHM use or multiple use;
- ◆ a corridor access trail;
- ◆ a designated access to an established OHM trail;
- ◆ allowed for an organized contest.

You may not exceed 10 mph on the frozen surface of public waters within 100 feet of a person fishing or a fishing shelter.



OFF-ROAD VEHICLE REGULATIONS

Youthful Operators

A person under 16 years of age may not operate an ORV. The owner of an ORV may not knowingly allow it to be operated by a person under 16 years of age.

General Operations

All ORV passengers and operators must wear seat belts.

A valid driver's license is required to operate an ORV on or along a public road.

You may:

- ◆ Operate on state forest roads unless posted closed.

You may not:

- ◆ operate an ORV within the right-of-way of an interstate highway.
- ◆ operate an ORV within a public road right-of-way except on a designated trail, and when in possession of a valid driver's license.

Note: No trails have currently been designated for ORV use at this time.



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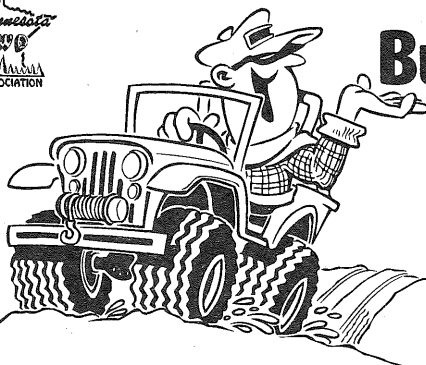
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DNR Information Center
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St. Paul, MN 55155-4040

Twin Cities: 612-296-6157
Toll free: 1-800-766-6000

Hearing Impaired
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Toll free: 1-800-657-3929

For more information on registering your recreational motor vehicle call:

DNR License Bureau
500 Lafayette Rd.
St. Paul, MN 55155-4026

Twin Cities: 612-296-2316
Toll free: 1-800-285-2000

Local DNR Conservation Officers

Contact the Minnesota State Patrol or county sheriff for the name and phone number of a Minnesota DNR conservation officer in your area.

County Sheriff

Check the local phone directory. The sheriff's non-emergency numbers will usually be listed inside the front cover. In an emergency, call 911 from anywhere in Minnesota.

For information on scheduled ATV or OHM safety classes in different areas throughout the state, call the appropriate area:

Safety Training Program Headquarters, Camp Ripley,

Little Falls: 1-800-366-8917

Metro and Rochester areas: 612-296-4819

Bemidji area: 218-755-2966

Grand Rapids area: 218-327-4424

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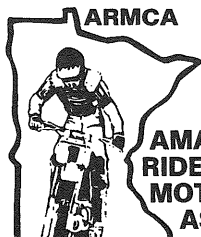
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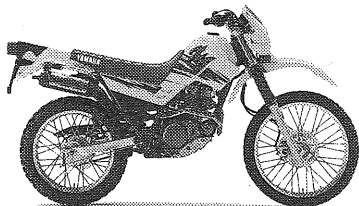
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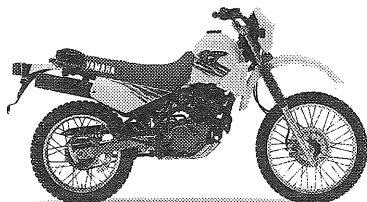
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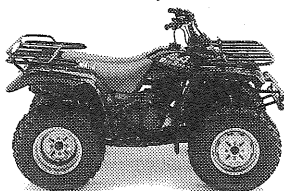
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