

**Vehicles of any type,
including ATVs, are not TOYS and
should not be treated as such.**

316.2074 All-terrain vehicles.—

(1) It is the intent of the Legislature through the adoption of this section to provide safety protection for minors while operating an all-terrain vehicle in this state.

(2) As used in this section, the term "all-terrain vehicle" means any motorized off-highway vehicle 50 inches or less in width, having a dry weight of 900 pounds or less, designed to travel on three or more low-pressure tires, having a seat designed to be straddled by the operator and handlebars for steering control, and intended for use by a single operator with no passenger.

(3) No person under 16 years of age shall operate, ride, or be otherwise propelled on an all-terrain vehicle unless the person wears a safety helmet meeting United States Department of Transportation standards and eye protection.

(4) If a crash results in the death of any person or in the injury of any person which results in treatment of the person by a physician, the operator of each all-terrain vehicle involved in the crash shall give notice of the crash pursuant to s. 316.066.

(5) Except as provided in this section, an all-terrain vehicle may not be operated upon the public roads, streets, or highways of this state, except as otherwise permitted by the managing state or federal agency.

(6) An all-terrain vehicle having four wheels may be used by police officers on public beaches designated as public roadways for the purpose of enforcing the traffic laws of the state. All-terrain vehicles may also be used by the police to travel on public roadways within 5 miles of beach access only when getting to and from the beach.

(7) An all-terrain vehicle having four wheels may be used by law enforcement officers on public roads within public lands while in the course and scope of their duties.

(8) A violation of this section is a noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable as a nonmoving violation as provided in chapter 318.

*Your Community Traffic Safety Team
wants to remind you to put safety first!*

ATV Off-Road Rules

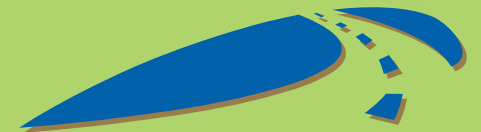


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As more and more cases of serious injury or death are being attributed to All-Terrain Vehicles (ATV), due in large part to their increasing popularity and improper use, there is a need for education.

ATVs handle differently from other vehicles including motorcycles and they are intended for OFF-ROAD use only. Handling and control may be adversely affected by pavement.

Never operate an ATV on streets, highways, paved roads or rights of way. It is extremely dangerous and is also against the law. Riding or crossing a road is a leading cause of accidents and fatalities to ATV riders.

Make safety your number one concern and follow the simple rules in this brochure.

The recommended age for a particular size ATV may not be the best choice for your child. Please remember even though a child may fall into the age category, they may not possess the strength, skills and judgment necessary to operate that vehicle.



Riders under 16 should be supervised by an adult at all times and should only be allowed to ride an ATV that is recommended for their age group.

| ATV Size | Minimum Age |
|------------|--------------------|
| Under 70cc | 6 years and older |
| 70—90cc | 12 years and older |
| Over 90cc | 16 years and older |

Always wear appropriate riding gear, which includes a Department of Transportation approved helmet, eye protection such as goggles, a good pair of gloves, over-the-ankle boots with low heels and at least a long-sleeved shirt and long pants. Off-highway pants with kneepads and a long-sleeved jersey with chest/shoulder protectors are recommended.

- **ATVs are intended for off-road use only.**
- **Never carry passengers.**
- **Never operate an ATV under the influence of alcohol or other drugs.**
- **Avoid stunt riding and excessive speeds.**
- **Always keep both hands on the handlebars and both feet on the footrests.**