

OHV / ATV Safety

What is an ORV / ATV?

- ❖ Off-highway Vehicles or OHV is a motor driven, off-road recreational vehicle capable of cross-country travel without the benefit of a road or trail. OHV's can travel over land, snow, ice, marsh, swampland, or other natural terrain. OHV's are multi-track or multi-wheel.
- ❖ All-Terrain Vehicle, ATV or also known as quads are motorized vehicles designed to drive off-road, dirt road, or trails.



What are some of the Risks?



- ❖ Steep hills / riding on the shoulders, can lead to a potential roll over
- ❖ Stunting or performing tricks
- ❖ Riding in areas that are unknown or riding alone
- ❖ Losing control by driving too fast, washboard, uneven ground
- ❖ Riding at night or weather conditions
- ❖ Riding without safety gear
- ❖ Not maintaining the ORV or ATV



What can I do to be a safe rider?

- ❖ Obey posted signage
- ❖ Know the weather conditions & monitor throughout the day
- ❖ Ride with someone / Pick a Route
- ❖ Ride during daylight hours
- ❖ Regularly inspect OHV / ATV & serviced
- ❖ Refer to manufacturer's manual
- ❖ Wear the required safety gear when riding
- ❖ Take an ATV operator course
- ❖ Keep the OHV's & ATV's clean of debris to prevent fire.
- ❖ In order to be compliant, an OHV / ATV requires insurance, registration and a license plate.
- ❖ Minimize sharp, low radius turns
- ❖ Respect private property and public land
- ❖ Leave all gates and fences as you find them



Check for Hot Spots!

- 1) *Exhaust and Muffler*
- 2) *Under the Seat*
- 3) *Wheel Wells*
- 4) *Engine and Manifold*

