

All Terrain Vehicles

A Highway includes a common and public highway, street, avenue, parkway, driveway, square, place, bridge, viaduct or trestle, any part of which is intended for or used by the general public for the passage of vehicles and includes the area between the lateral property lines thereof. This would include the ditch area.

In order for an All Terrain Vehicle to be operated on a Highway they must meet specific criteria such as:

- 1) must have four wheels, all of which are in contact with the ground
- 2) must have steering handlebars
- 3) must have a seat that is designed to be straddled by the driver
- 4) must be designed to carry a driver ONLY, no passengers

If the All Terrain vehicle does not meet all four of the above criteria it CAN NOT be driven on a highway.

All Terrain vehicles CAN NOT be operated on a highway with more than one person on them.

All Terrain vehicles must be properly registered and licensed in order for them to be operated off of the owner's property. To operate an All Terrain Vehicle on a Highway, a person must be the holder of a valid driver's license that is greater than a G2 or M2 class of license. All operators must wear an approved helmet. When an ATV is being operated anywhere other than the owner's property, the vehicle must be covered under a contract of insurance.



Speed limits: On trails the maximum speed limit is 50 km/h. On highways where the speed limit is 50 km/h or less the maximum speed limit for all terrain vehicles is 20 km/h. Where the speed limit is in excess of 50 km/h an all terrain vehicle's speed cannot exceed 50 km/h.

All terrain vehicles must travel in the same direction as traffic and must be operated as far to the right side as possible, ie : shoulder of the highway. Operators must obey the same rules of the road as any other driver of a motor vehicle.

In the Bancroft area, all terrain vehicles are NOT permitted to be operated on Highway # 28 between Highway # 118 and Monck Road or on Highway # 62 between Hybla Road and Victoria Drive.

Trespassing: Under the Trespass To Property Act it is an offence to enter upon private lands that are posted or fenced. It is the operator's responsibility to know where they are operating their all terrain vehicles. Under the Trespass To Property Act, the owner / occupier of land has



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the authority to stop anyone trespassing on their land and the person trespassing must identify themselves.



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