



NEBRASKA'S ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE and UTILITY-TYPE VEHICLE LAWS

Use Limits Apply to All-Terrain Vehicles (ATV) and Utility Type Vehicles (UTV)

ATVs & UTVs cannot cross or be operated on any interstate or controlled-access highway with more than two marked traffic lanes.

These vehicles can be operated on public streets, roads, and highways only between sunrise and sunset when such operation is incidental to the vehicle's use for agricultural purposes or by city or county board ordinances.

ATVs & UTVs when crossing a public street, road, or highway must meet the following conditions:

- ▶ The crossing is made at an angle of 90 degrees to the direction of the street, road, or highway at a place where no obstruction prevents a quick and safe crossing.
- ▶ Must be brought to a complete stop before crossing; the operator must yield right-of-way to all oncoming traffic.
- ▶ Crossings must be made at intersections of divided streets, roads, or highways.
- ▶ Both headlight and taillight must be on when crossing is made.

Those who operate on a public street, road, or highway must:

- ▶ Have a valid license or special permit and cannot drive faster than 30 miles per hour.
- ▶ Have liability insurance coverage.
- ▶ Have headlights and taillights on.
- ▶ Have a bicycle safety flag attached to the rear which extends at least five feet above the ground.

Equipment required:

- ▶ Have a brake system.
- ▶ Have an adequate muffler.
- ▶ Have an U.S. Forest Service qualified spark arrester.

If an ATV or UTV accident results in death or injury requiring treatment by a physician, the operator of the ATV or UTV must report it.

People caught violating ATV or UTV laws will be charged with a Class III misdemeanor which carries a possible maximum penalty of a \$500 fine and/or three months in jail or both.

Second offense violations of ATV or UTV laws are classified as Class II misdemeanors and carry a possible maximum penalty of a \$1,000 fine and/or six months in jail or both.



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