



# STATE ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS

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State	REGISTRATION/ USAGE DECAL	TITLE	MV OPERATOR'S LICENSE	MINIMUM AGE	SAFETY EDUCATION CERTIFICATE	EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS				PASSENGER PROHIBITION	ON-ROAD USE	CLASSIFIED AS	WEIGHT/WIDTH/ DISPLACEMENT LIMITS	OTHER REQUIREMENTS
						LIGHTING	MUFFLER	SPARK ARRESTER	HELMET/EYE PROTECTION					
Alabama				14DS							X	OHV		
Alaska											Q	OHV/ATV (¶)	≤1200lbs/≤50" (¶)	
Arizona	•ACEr	•C				•Gr	•iCr	•Cr	•KiE					
Arkansas	•A	•		12D		•G	•	•C			Zr	ATV	≤50"/≤1000cc	Ω≤14", Ω≤20
California	•A	•		14EM, 18En or a	•Ein	•G	•iC	•C	•KE	•LE	Z	OHMV/ATV	≤900lbs/≤50"	
Colorado	•BCE	•Yr				•GE	•iCE	•CE			Zr	OHV		⚡EC
Connecticut	•A		•F	12E, 16Ea & n	•vE	•u	•		•O		Z	ATV	≤600lbs/≤50"	⚡
Delaware	•AC			12D		•G	•iC	•	•Ki, Kt	•iW	J	ATV/OHV		
Dist. of Col.											J	ATV		
Florida		•E		16D & aE	•dE	•GE	•iE	•E	•d; KS	•LE	X	OHV/ATV	≤1200lbs/≤50"	
Georgia							•		•KF	•LF	X	ORV/ATV	≤1200lbs/≤50"+	
Hawaii											X	ATV	≤900lbs/≤50"	
Idaho	•B	•					•i	•	•KiE		Q	ATV	≤50"	↔≤61"
Illinois	•BS	•									Q	ATV/OHV	≤1500lbs/≤50"	
Indiana	•AC	•Y	•F	14D		•G	•				X	ORV/ATV	≤1200lbs/≤50"	⚡
Iowa	•BE	•	•F & zS	12DE, 18aE	•iE	•G	•i		•KS	•Lr, W	Z (re)	ATV	<1200lb/<1000cc	
Kansas		•									g	ATV	≤1500lbs/≤50"	
Kentucky			•F	12R, 16u & D		•F	•		•K(d, iEr)		Zr	ATV		
Louisiana	•Ar	•r			•c	•u	•iC	•	•Ki		Z	ORV		
Maine	•AC			10, 16D & a		•GS	•iS		•S			ATV		
Maryland	•BS	•Y	•PS	12S								ORV		
Massachusetts	•Br	•	•FiD & a	12S, 14C, 16u, 18a	•ir	•ur	•ir	•r	•Kr		Zr	ATV/RV/OHV		⚡
Michigan	•B	•		12C, 16t & D & a (W)	•dC	•G	•iC	•	•EW	•L	Q	ORV/ATV	≥50cc<1000cc	⚡
Minnesota	•B	•		10E, 12uE, 16Ea & D	•yE	•FG	•iC	•	•KiE	•iW	Q	ATV	≤2000lbs/≤50"+	⚡
Mississippi	•A	•	•aE	6S	•mE	•C	•iS	•S	•KdE; KS	•LS	X	ATV	≤1000lbs/≤50"	
Missouri	•A	•		16D			•C	•C	•Ki	•L, r	X	ATV	≤1500lbs/≤50"	
Montana	•A	•Y					•i	•			Q	OHV		
Nebraska		•Y				•F & G	•	•C		•L	X (re)	ATV	≤1200lbs/≤50"	
Nevada	•ACrR	•Y		14S		•u	•iC	•S	•KS & F	•i	Q	OHV	≤1000lbs/≤50"	
New Hampshire	•Bk	•Fa		14D & a	•q						Z	OHRV/ATV		
New Jersey	•ACE			x, 14E, 16uE	•irCE	•C	•	•	•K		Z	ATV		⚡
New Mexico	•AE	•E		6, 10D & b, 18D(W)E	•iE	•GE	•iE	•E	•iE	•iE	Zr	ATV/OHVMV	≤1000lbs/≤50"	
New York	•AC			10D, 16D or a	•cD	•GC	•C	•	•K		Z	ATV	≤1000lbs/≤70"	
North Carolina#			•a	8, 16p & D, h	•s	•G	•	•	•F	•L	Z	ATV	≤50"	
North Dakota	•ACE	•E(DS)		12C, 16D or a	•d	•	•iS	•S	•Ki	•L	X	Class II OHV	≤1200lbs/≤50"	
Ohio	•Ar	•		16D		•G	•iS	•S	•S	•LS	Q	APV		
Oklahoma	•AY	•Y	•F		•dE	•SG	•i		•KiE	•LE	X	ATV	≤50"	
Oregon	•BS	•r		(16n, a & ‡)Er	•or	•G	•i	•Sr	•KiEr		Zr	ATV	≤1200lbs/≤50"	Ω≤14"
Pennsylvania	•Br	•r		(8E, 10R, 16a)r		•Gr	•ir		•Kr		Zr	ATV	≤1200lbs/≤50"+	⚡
Rhode Island	•B	•	•T	12S, 16SD & F, w	•d or V	•F & G	•iC	•E	•K	•dm	Z	RV/ATV		⚡
South Carolina#		•		6, 16a, 17DE	•d	•GE	•E	•E	•dE		N	ATV		
South Dakota		•										ATV/ORV		
Tennessee		•	•S	14D	•nE	•EG	•E	•EC	•S, Ki, F	•LE	X	OHMV/OHV	≤50"	
Texas	•BS	•S	•aE	8E, 16a & FD	•mE	•G	•	•	•Ki		Zr	ATV	≤1500lbs/≤52"	Ω≤12", Ω≤10
Utah	•AE	•aE									Q	ATV/OHV		
Vermont	•AE	•		12D, 16FD, 18a	•i	•C	•iC	•C		•Lr	Z	ATV	<1700lbs/≤64"	Ω≤10
Virginia		•YU		(12R, 16u)r		•G	•i	•	•Kr		Zr	ATV		
Washington	•Ar	•		13F & SD			•i	•	•KSr		Q	NHV/ORV		
West Virginia		•		18a	•i	•G	•	•	•Ki	•HL	Q	ATV		
Wisconsin	•BC	•		12r & D(W)	•yW	•F & G	•i	•	•Kir		Zr	ATV	≤900lbs/≤50"	Ω≤20!
Wyoming	•BSr	•									X	ORRV		

- Required by law or regulation
- A. By motor vehicle registration agency
- B. By recreation management agency
- C. Except in authorized events
- D. Unless supervised
- E. Applies only on public lands
- F. To cross highway &/or for allowed hwy. use
- G. For night operation only
- H. More than 1 passenger prohibited & passenger under age 18 unless operator has specified driver's license or is at least age 18 prohibited
- I. Decibel limit specified
- J. Prohibited
- K. Helmet
- L. Except if designed to carry passenger
- M. Unless supervised by parent or his designee and either has safety certificate or is supervised by adult with certificate
- N. Prohibited except to cross highway & by registered ATVs with 4 or more wheels & 200 cc or more
- O. ATV definition specifies single rider
- P. Must have license or learner's permit, or be accompanied by licensee or by parent
- Q. Allowed as specified in law
- R. For ATV over 70cc
- S. Applies only on specified public lands
- T. For ages 16-18 to cross highway
- U. For ATV over 50cc

- V. For 1st-time ATV buyers
- W. Additional provisions apply; law too complex to summarize completely
- X. Prohibited with specified exceptions
- Y. For ATVs purchased after date specified in law
- Z. Prohibited except to cross highway
  - a. Unless safety certificate is possessed
  - b. Unless on age-appropriate sized ATV
  - c. For ages 10-15
  - d. Under age 16
  - e. During daylight hours only
  - f. If issued to persons age 12-15, not valid for ATVs > 90cc unless training course completed on ATV > 90cc & able to reach handlebars & footpegs
  - g. Prohibited on specified highways
  - h. ANSI/SVIA Age Label restrictions not applicable to persons born by 8/15/97 with parent or guardian who owned ATV prior to 8/15/05
  - i. For persons under age 18
  - j. For persons age 16 & over
  - k. Not required in certain cases for ATVs ≤ 95cc
  - m. Unless motor vehicle operator's license possessed
  - n. Unless supervised by adult with safety certificate
  - o. For ages 8-15

- p. Unless in compliance with ANSI/SVIA Age Label; sale for use by person under age 8 prohibited; sales restrictions based on Age Label
- q. Under age 14
- r. Except if engaged in agricultural &/or other specified activities
- s. For persons born on/after 1/1/90
- t. For 3-wheel ATVs
- u. For ATVs over 90cc
- v. For all ages; under age 18 must complete safety course
- w. Sale to under age 16 prohibited
- x. Sale of ATV over 90cc for use under age 16 prohibited
- y. For persons born after date specified in law
- z. If carrying passenger
- + Separate limits for Class II ATVs
- # Provisions exclude ATVs engaged in farming, hunting or trapping. In SC, also exclude supervised operators younger than 16, but not younger than 6, on private lands.
- Γ Except for operators 16 or older on ocean beach areas open to ATVs or operators 18 or older on private lands
- ‡ Unless meeting rider fit requirements
- ¶ Applies only to ATVs operated on highways as specified
- ! Or non-pneumatic tires

**OTHER REQUIREMENTS**

- ⊙ Wheel/rim diameter
- Ω Tire pressure (psi)
- ↔ Wheel base
- ⚡ Braking capability
- ⚡ Reflector/reflectorized material

**CLASSIFICATION ABBREVIATIONS**

- APV - All-purpose vehicle
- ATV - All-terrain vehicle
- NHV - Non-highway vehicle
- OHV - Off-highway vehicle
- OHMV - Off-highway motor vehicle
- OHRV - Off-highway recreation vehicle
- ORV - Off-road vehicle
- ORRV - Off-road recreational vehicle
- RV - Recreation vehicle

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