

ONTARIO ROAD LAWS

for ATVs, UTVs & SIDE-BY-SIDES (ORVs)

SPECIAL TERRITORY NOTICE: ALL WAHNAPIITAE ROADS ARE PERMITTED TO BE USED BY OFF-ROAD VEHICLES (ORVs) IN COMPLIANCE WITH SAFETY LAWS AND REQUIREMENTS.

DRIVER & RIDER REQUIREMENTS

- AGE & LICENCE: Must be **16+ years old** with a **valid G2, M2** or full licence.
- SAFETY HELMET: Driver and all passengers **must wear** an approved, securely fastened helmet.
- SEAT BELTS: If equipped on your UTV/Side-by-Side, they **must be worn** by all occupants at all times.

VEHICLE COMPLIANCE & SAFETY

- REGISTRATION & PLATE: Must be registered with a valid **rear licence plate** cleanly displayed.
- INSURANCE: Must be fully covered under a **valid motor vehicle liability policy**.
- LIGHTS ON: Headlights and tail lights **must be turned on** at all times while on public roads.
- COMPLIANCE LABEL: The vehicle must feature a visible manufacturer compliance label.

RULES OF THE ROAD

- WHERE TO RIDE: Drive **on the shoulder** in the same direction as traffic. Move to the far right lane only if the shoulder is unsafe or blocked.
- PROHIBITED ROADS: **Strictly banned** from 400-series highways, the QEW, and specific sections of the Trans-Canada Highway.
- MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS: You can **only ride** on local municipal roads if that specific municipality has passed a local by-law allowing it.
- PASSENGERS: Passengers must be **8+ years old**. Passengers are **strictly prohibited** on standard single-rider ATVs on public roads.

STRICT SPEED LIMITS

- MAX 20 KM/H: On public roads where the posted speed limit is **50 km/h or less**.
- MAX 50 KM/H: On public roads where the posted speed limit is **greater than 50 km/h**.

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ONTARIO OFF-ROAD LAWS

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DOCUMENTATION CARRYING

- You must carry the ORV's registration permit (or a true copy) and valid proof of insurance with you **at all times** while operating the vehicle.

TRAIL & CROWN LAND RULES:

- When riding off-road on designated local trails or Crown land, stay strictly on **authorized paths**.
- Always obtain explicit landowner permission **before driving on private property**.

OFF-ROAD AGE EXEMPTIONS

- While on-road driving requires a driver to be 16+ with a valid G2/M2 licence, off-road operation (such as on private lands or designated trails) permits drivers aged 12 and older, provided they are **under direct adult supervision**.

RESPONSIBLE OPERATION

- Operating an ORV while impaired by alcohol or drugs is **strictly illegal**.
- Always ride according to current weather, terrain, and trail conditions.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

- It is **strongly recommended** to carry basic safety gear when heading off-road, including a tool kit, first aid supplies, a tow rope, a communication device, and proper eye protection.

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