

# State OHV Regulations

This is the latest table of State OHV regulations provided by the National Association of OHV Program Managers (NAOPM). This data is for off-highway motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles (4-wheelers) primarily and not for street legal vehicles. This material was provided to NAOPM by state OHV program managers. Be sure to always ***double-check all the latest rules and regulations*** with the agency overseeing the trails you intend to ride on before embarking on your trip.

State	Helmet	Eye Protection	Minimum Operator Age	Rider Education Certificate	Operator License	Headlight	Taillight	Muffler	Maximum Sound Level	Spark Arrestor	Registration	Vehicle Title
<b>Alabama</b>	Not required	Not required	No minimum	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	None	Not required	Not required	Not required
<b>Alaska</b>	Required if under 18 & passengers	Not required	No minimum	Voluntary	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	None	Not required	Required	Not required
<b>Arizona</b>	Required if under 18	Required if under 18	No minimum	Voluntary	Not required	Not required	Not required	Required	None	Required on State & federal lands	Not required	Required off-road recreational plate or registration plate
<b>Arkansas</b>	Not required	Not required	Under 12 requires adult supervision	Not required	Not required	After sunset	After sunset	Required	None	Required	Required	Required
<b>California</b>	ATVs only	Not required	Under 14 requires adult supervision and is either taking a safety class, possesses a safety certification, or is supervised by an adult with a safety certificate	Under 18 and is either taking a safety class, possesses a safety certification, or is supervised by an adult with a safety certificate	Not required	After sunset	After sunset	Required	96 dBA @ 20 inches	Required	Required	Not required

<b>Colorado</b>	Not required	Not required	Under 10 prohibited on public roads	Not required	Not required	After sunset	After sunset	Required	84 dBA @ 50 feet	Required	Required	Not required
<b>Connecticut</b>	Not required	Not required	Under 12 prohibited; 12-16 requires licensed, adult supervision	Required if under 18	Not required	On 90 cc +	On 90 cc +	Required	Excessive/unusual noise prohibited	Not required	Required	Not required
<b>Delaware</b>	Required	Not required	Under 12 requires adult supervision	Required	Not required	After sunset	After sunset	Required	88 dBA at 60% throttle @ 50 feet	Required	Required	Not required
<b>Florida</b>	Yes if under 16 on ATV	Required if under 16 on ATVs	No minimum	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	None	Not required	Required	Not required
<b>Georgia</b>	Required	Required	No minimum	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	Required	None	Not required	Required	Not required
<b>Hawaii</b>	Not required	Not required	No minimum	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	None	Not required	Not required	Not required
<b>Idaho</b>	Yes if 17 Or younger	Not required	No minimum	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	Required	96 dBA @ 20 inches	Required	Required	Required
<b>Illinois</b>	Not required	Not required	No minimum	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	None	Not required	Required	Required
<b>Indiana</b>	Not required	Not required	Under 14 requires adult supervision	Not required	Only for use on roads	After sunset	After sunset	Required	None	Not required	Required	Required
<b>Iowa</b>	Required on funded OHV parks	Not required	ATV operators must be 12 years or older. No age restriction for OHMs	Required for ATV riders under 18	Only for farm use on roads	After sunset	After sunset	Required	86 dBA @ 50 feet	Not required	Required	Required for ATVs
<b>Kansas</b>	Not required	Not required	No minimum	Not required	Not required	After sunset	After sunset	After sunset	None	Not required	Not required	Required

<b>Kentucky</b>	Required	Not required	Under 16 may operate 90 cc or less; under 12 = 70 cc or less w/ adult	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	None	Not required	Not required	Not required
<b>Louisiana</b>	Required if under 18	Not required	No minimum	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	None	Not required	Not required	Not required
<b>Maine</b>	Required if under 18	Not required	Under 15 requires adult supervision; under 10 prohibited on public land	Required if under 16	Not required	ATVs only	ATVs only	Required	96dBA @ 20 inches	Required	Required	Not required
<b>Maryland</b>	Not required	Not required	Under 12 prohibited; above 12 must have license or learners permit	Not required	Not required	After sunset	After sunset	Required	84 dBA @ 50 feet	Not required	Required	Not required
<b>Massachusetts</b>	Required	Not required	Under 10 prohibited; 10-14 requires adult supervision	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	Required	103 dBA @ 20 inches	Not required	Required	Not required
<b>Michigan</b>	Required	Required	Under 10 prohibited on 4 wheel ATV; Under 16 prohibited on 3 wheel ATV; Under 16 requires adult supervision	Required if under 16	Not required	After sunset	After sunset	Required	94 dBA @ 20 inches	Required	License is required	Required

<b>Minnesota</b>	Required if under 18	Required	Class I ATV: Over 10 on public land w/ adult; under 10 on private land Class II ATV: Must be at least 15 OHM: Under 12 w/ adult on public land; no age limit on private land	Required for ATV if born after July 1, 1987. OHMs required over 12.	Not required	Required	Required	Required	ATV: 99dBA @ 20 inches OHM: 96 dBA @ 20 inches	Required	Required	Not required
<b>Mississippi</b>		Not required	No minimum	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	None	Not required	Not required	Not required
<b>Missouri</b>	Required if under 18	Not required	Under 16 requires adult supervision	Not required	Not required	Only ATVs	Only ATVs	Yes	None	Required	Required	Required
<b>Montana</b>	Not required	Not required	No minimum	Voluntary	Only for use on roads	Not required	Not required	Not required	None	Not required	Required	Certificate of Ownership
<b>Nebraska</b>	Not required	Not required	No minimum	Not required	Not required	After sunset	After sunset	Required	None	Required	None	Required
<b>Nevada</b>	Not required	Not required	No minimum	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	None	Not required	Not required	Not required
<b>New Hampshire</b>	Required if under 18	Required if under 18	Under 14 must be accompanied by licensed adult over 18	Required if 12 or older and not licensed	Over 12 must have safety certif. or drivers license	1/2 hr. after sunset to 1/2 hr before sunrise	1/2 hr. after sunset to 1/2 hr before sunrise	Required	96 dBA @ 20 inches	Required	Required	Not required
<b>New Jersey</b>	Required	Not required	Under 16 limited to 90 cc or less; Under 14 prohibited on public lands	Required if under 18	Liability insurance required	After sunset	After sunset	Required	None	Not required	Required	Not required

<b>New Mexico</b>	Required if under 18	Required if under 18	Under 10 requires adult supervision 10-18 requires adult supervision with several exceptions	Required if under 18	Not required	When visibility is < 500 ft	When visibility is < 500 ft	Not required	96 dBA @ 20 inches	Required	Required	Required
<b>New York</b>	Required	Not required	Under 16 requires adult supervision	Required if 10 to 16	Liability insurance required	After sunset	After sunset	Required	None	Required	Required	Not required
<b>North Carolina</b>	Required for ATVs only	Required for ATVs only	Under 16 can only operate ATV if 90cc or less. Under 12, can only operate ATV if 70cc or less. Minimum age 8.	Required to operate ATV if born after 1-Jan-90	Not required	For ATV required after sunset	For ATV required after sunset	Required	None	Required	Not required	Not required
<b>North Dakota</b>	Required if under 18	Not required	Under 12 prohibited from OHVs; 12-16 require OHV safety certificate	12 and older for OHVs if not licensed	License or safety certificate if under 18	ATVs only	ATVs only	Required	None	Not required	Required	Required
<b>Ohio</b>	Not required	Not required	12-16 requires licensed adult present	Not required	Required	After sunset	After sunset	Required	If manufactured after 1/1/06 96dBA @ 20 inches	Not required	Required	Required
<b>Oklahoma</b>	Not required	Not required	No minimum	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	None	Not required	Not required	Not required
<b>Oregon</b>	Required if under 18	Not required	Under 12 requires operator permit and licensed adult present	Required if not licensed	Required if not certified	After sunset	After sunset	Required	99dBA @ 20 inches	Required on public lands	Required	Not required

<b>Pennsylvania</b>	Required	Not required	Under 8 prohibited on public land 8 & 9 year olds restricted to 70CC	Required if under 16	Not required	After sunset	After sunset	Required	99 dBA @ 20 inches	Not required	Required	Required
<b>South Carolina</b>	Not required	Not required	No minimum	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	None	Not required	Not required	Not required
<b>South Dakota</b>	Required if under 18	Required	No minimum	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	None	Not required	Not required	Required
<b>Tennessee</b>	Required if under 18	Not required	No minimum	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	None	Not required	Required	Required
<b>Texas</b>	Required	Required	Under 14 requires adult supervision	Required	Not required	After sunset	After sunset	Required	None	Required	Required	Not required
<b>Utah</b>	Required if under 18	Not required	Under 8 prohibited on public land; 8-16 requires safety certificate	Required if no drivers license	Required if not certified	After sunset	After sunset	Required	None	Required	Required	Required
<b>Vermont</b>	Not required	Not required	On public land	Required if under 18	Not required	After sunset	After sunset	Required	82 dBA @ 50 feet	Required	Required	Not required
<b>Virginia</b>	Required	Not required	12-16 may operate 70-90cc ATVs	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	None	Not required	Not required	Not required
<b>Washington</b>	Not required	Not required	No minimum	Not required	Not required	After sunset	After sunset	Required	86 dBA @ 50 feet	Required	Required	Not required
<b>West Virginia</b>	Required if rider or passenger is under 18	Not required	If passenger is under 18 then operator must be over 18 or have a Level Two Intermediate driver's license or its equivalent. Any one under the	Required if rider is under 18 unless ATV is operated on a private or public recreational trail or area which has in place a safety program	Operators license is not required except when the operator is under 18 and has a passenger under 18	Required if operated at night	Required if operated at night	Required to be installed and connected	None	Required to be installed and connected	Not required	Not Required

			age of 16 must be supervised at all times by an adult									
<b>Wisconsin</b>	Required if under 18	Not required	No minimum	At least 12 and born on or after 1/1/88	Not required	After sunset and on roads	After sunset and on roads	Required	96 dBA @ 20 inches	Required	Required	Not required
<b>Wyoming</b>	Required if under 18 & on enrolled road	Not required	None on trails; 15 on enrolled roads	Not required	Required on enrolled roads	Required on enrolled roads	Required on enrolled roads	Required on enrolled roads	Yes on roads - 102 @20 inches	Required on enrolled roads & public land	Required	Required if licensed