

TOWN OF WOOD

ORDINANCE 2012-2

AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE ROUTES AND REGULATING THE OPERATION OF ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES.

Section I – Intent

The Town of Wood, Wood County adopts the following all-terrain vehicle routes for the operation of all-terrain vehicles (UTV, and ATV) upon the roadways listed in Section III

Section II – Statutory Authority

The Town of Wood hereby adopts, except as otherwise specifically provided in this chapter, and pursuant to the authority granted in Chapter 23 and Chapter NR64 of the Wisconsin Statutes, the Town Board of the Town of Wood does hereby adopt Chapter 23 and Chapter NR64 of the Wisconsin State Statutes which deals with All Terrain Vehicles, to be applied on the town toads designated as UTV/ATV routes in the Town of Wood

Section III – Routes

All roads in the Town of Wood are open to UTV/ ATV's EXCEPT THE FOLLOWING

1. Highway 73 & 80
2. County Roads A, B, C, E, and X

The aforementioned route does not include private roads or driveways or any privates property in the Town of Wood. The Town of Wood shall retain the right to close any town road to UTV/ ATV operation for special events, unlawful use, road construction/repair without advance notice.

Section IV- Conditions

The Town of Wood accepts no liability for the operation of UTV/ ATVs on any town road under the provisions of this Ordinance. UTV/ ATVs that operate on the aforementioned streets shall abide by ALL STATE LAWS regulating UTV/ ATV operation including the following:

1. All UTV/ATV operators shall travel at a speed of 45 mph.
2. All UTV/ATV operators shall ride in the extreme right hand portion of the traveled part of the road and in single file.

3. UTV/ATVs operated on town roads pursuant to this Ordinance shall have the following properly working equipment.
 - a. One or more headlights
 - b. A red rear light and a working red brake light
 - c. Brakes in good mechanical condition
 - d. A muffler system and such other equipment or devices that comply with the noise level standards

4. UTV/ATVs operated on town roads shall be currently registered by the State of Wisconsin in accordance with Wisconsin State Statutes. Registration does not constitute a license to cross or operate an UTV/ATV on public or private lands.

5. At all times, operating an UTV/ ATV on town roads, operators born after January 1, 1988 shall have passed an approved safety course. The driver of a UTV/ ATV shall obey all State of Wisconsin laws regarding the operation of UTV/ ATVs.

Section V – Enforcement

This ordinance shall be enforced by any law enforcement officer authorized to enforce the laws of the State of Wisconsin.

Section VI – Penalties

Wisconsin state All-Terrain Vehicle penalties as found in s 23.23(13)(a) Wis. Stats., are adopted by reference

Section VII – Severability

The provision of this ordinance shall be deemed severable and it is expressly declared that the Town would have passed the other provisions of this ordinance irrespective of whether or not one or more provisions may be declared invalid. If any provisions of this ordinance or the application to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance and application of such provisions to other persons circumstances shall not be deemed affected.

Section VIII – Effective Date

This ordinance becomes effective upon passage and publication

Presented:

Passed & Approved:

Published:

Official’s Signatures: _____ Date: _____

Roger Tritz, Chairman

_____ Date: _____

Patricia Krueger, Clerk

