


# TOWN OF CRAFTSBURY ALL TERRAIN VEHICLE ORDINANCE

1. The Select board of the Town of Craftsbury in the County of Orleans and State of Vermont, in accordance with Title 24, V.S.A. 1971-1983 hereby adopt this ordinance regulating the use of All Terrain Vehicles in the Town of Craftsbury and described as follows:
  2. As used in this ordinance "All Terrain Vehicle or ATV" means any non-highway recreational vehicle, except snowmobiles, when used for cross country travel on trails or on any one of the following or a combination thereof; land, water, snow, ice, marsh, swampland, and natural terrain.
  3. The use of ATV's is authorized on Hatch Brook Rd (Th-41), Merrill Loop (Th-61), and Collinsville Rd (Th 21 and Th-22).
  4. All roads are closed to ATV travel between December 1<sup>st</sup> and April 15<sup>th</sup>.
  5. An ATV may be operated only in accordance with V.S.A. Title 23 Chapter 31, Section 3501-3517 and will be enforce by the ATV Club.
  6. ATV signs have to be posted to notify motorists that ATV's are on the road. These are NOT Trail signs.
  7. Travel by ATV's will be single file, to the right, with headlights on at a rate of speed not to exceed 25 M.P.H.
  8. An ATV may not be operated unless registered pursuant to this chapter 31 or any other section of this Title 3502-3504, as stated in the All Terrain Vehicles Operator's Manual, by the State of Vermont and the Vermont Statutes Annotated, Title 23, 1999 Cumulative Supplement for use in 1999-2000 except when operated:
    - (1) on the property of the owner of the ATV
    - (2) off the highway, in a ski area while being used for the purpose of grooming snow, maintenance or in rescue operations
    - (3) solely on privately owned land when the operator is specifically invited to do so and has on his person the written consent of the owner.
  9. The registration of an ATV does not constitute a license to cross or operate an ATV on private lands that do not have trails.
  10. The Town of Craftsbury accepts no liability for the operation of ATV's on these Town Highways as listed.
  11. If a court of competent jurisdiction holds any portion of the Ordinance unconstitutional or invalid, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected.
- A violation of this Ordinance shall be a civil matter enforced in accordance with the provisions of 24 V.S.A. Title 2974a and 1977 et seq. A civil penalty of not more than \$500.00 may be imposed for a violation of this civil ordinance, and the waiver fee shall be set at \$100.00 for the first offense, \$200.00 for the second offense within a six-month period, and \$300.00 for all subsequent offenses within a six month period. Each day that the violation continues will constitute a separate violation of this ordinance.

In accordance with 24 V.S.A. 1971-1976 and 24 V.S.A. 2291 this ordinance is adopted by the Craftsbury Select board on Aug. 22, 2000 to become effective sixty days from the adoption thereof.

Citizens have the right to petition for a vote on the ordinance within 45 days in accordance with V.S.A. Section 1973. *any questions contact Select board.*

Craftsbury Select board

  
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