

CHAPTER 451

All-Terrain and Utility Terrain Vehicle Ordinance

Purpose

The purpose of this ordinance is to establish all-terrain (ATV) and utility terrain vehicle (UTV) routes within the Town of Langlade limits. This ordinance also allows the use of golf carts within the town limits.

Authority

The Town of Langlade Board of the Town of Langlade, Langlade County, Wisconsin, has the specific authority to adopt this all-terrain and utility terrain vehicle ordinance under SS23.33 (8) (b) and (11), Wis. Stats.

Designation of ATV and UTV routes

Pursuant to SS 23.33(4) (d) 4, Wis. Stats., except as otherwise provided in SS 23.33 (4) Wis. Stats., no person may operate and ATV or UTV on the roadway portion of any highway in the town except on roadways that are designated as ATV or UTV routes by this ordinance. Operation of ATV or UTV's on a roadway within the town must be on a designated route and operated to the extreme right side of the roadway, except that left turns may be made from any part of the roadway that is safe given prevailing conditions.

The following routes are open to ATV and UTV traffic, all streets and avenues.

Conditions applicable to ATV and UTV routes

Pursuant to SS 23.33 (8))d), Wis. Stats., the following restrictions are placed on the use of the Town ATV and UTV routes designated by this ordinance:

All ATV and UTV routes will have a 10 mph speed limit for the ATV and UTV's

All ATV and UTV operators must have their head and taillights on and visible while operating on routes.

All ATV and UTV operators must ride single file.

All ATV and UTV's must be registered and display a license plate.

All ATV and UTV operators must be at least 12 years of age. Anyone born on or after 11/11/1988 must have completed and ATV II.ITV safety course.

Helmets are required to be worn by everyone under the age of 18.

Riders between the ages of 12 to 16 must be accompanied by an adult over the age of 18.

ATV and UTV's are to be operated on the extreme right side of the roadway paved surface and not on the ditch line.

Operations on sidewalks are prohibited.

All traffic control signs must be obeyed.

All ATV and UTV operators must yield to pedestrians.

Routes will be marked with uniform ATV and UTV route signs in accordance with SS NR64.12 (7) Wisconsin Administrative Code. No person may do any of the following in regard to signs marking ATV and UTV routes:

Intentionally remove, damage, deface, move, or obstruct any uniform ATV and UTV route or trail sign or sign or standards if the sign or standard is legally placed by the state, any municipality, or any authorized individual.

Possess any uniform ATV and UTV route or trail sign or standard of the type established by the department for the warning, instruction, or information of the public, unless he or she obtained the uniform ATV and UTV route or trail sign or standard in a lawful manner. Possession of a uniform ATV and UTV route or trail sign or standard creates a rebuttable presumption of legal possession.

Operation shall be subject to all provisions of SS23.33 Wis. Stats., which is adopted as part of this ordinance by reference, pursuant to SS23.33 (11) Wis. Stats.

A copy of this ordinance shall be sent to the Department of Natural Resources and the Langlade County Sheriff's Department.

Golf carts:

This ordinance will grant permission for persons over the age of 18 to use golf carts within the Town limits. They must observe the 10 mph speed limit, be to the right side of the roadway, and not drive on the sidewalks. They must obey all traffic control signs, and yield to pedestrians.

Enforcement and Penalties:

This ordinance may be enforced by any law enforcement officer authorized to enforce the laws of the state of Wisconsin, and the Town of Langlade. The penalties under SS23.33 (13) (a) Wis. Stats., are adopted by reference.

Effective and termination date:

This ordinance is in effect the latter of the posting/publication date entered here or when the Town roads are signed as ATV IUTV routes.

This ordinance is in effect for one year and will be reviewed for permanence by May 2017. After that time it can be renewed or rejected.

Adopted this 19TH day of September, 2016.