

VILLAGE OF DORCHESTER

CLARK & MARATHON COUNTIES

ORDINANCE 155 (amended):

DESIGNATING ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES (ATV), UTILITY TERRAIN VEHICLES (UTV), VEHICLE ROUTES, AND REGULATING THE OPERATION OF THESE VEHICLES WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF DORCHESTER.

Section I: Intent

The Village of Dorchester, Clark County, Wisconsin, adopts the following ATV/UTV vehicle route for the operation of ATVs/UTVs upon the roadways listed in section III.

Following due consideration of the recreational value to the Village with future possible connection to trail opportunities, and weighed against possible dangers, public health, liability aspects, terrain involved, traffic density, and history of automobile traffic, these route(s) have been created.

Section II: Statutory Authority

This route is created pursuant to Village authority under section 1.01.01 as authorized by 23.33(8)(b) Wis. Stats. The applicable provisions of 23.33 regulating ATV operation pursuant to routes are adopted.

Section III: Routes

All village streets are designated as routes, with the exception of County Highway A, for work purposes only. Work purposes are defined as performing the work activity with the ATV/UTV.

Section IV: Conditions

As a condition for the use of this route, the following conditions shall apply to all operators:

- A. All ATVs/UTVs must abide to a maximum 15mph speed limit.
- B. All ATV/UTV operators must have a valid driver's license or be accompanied by a person with a valid driver's license since it is being operated on roads and not trails.
- C. Operational hours must be between sunrise and sunset unless the ATV/UTV is being used for plowing snow on private property, or on a designated snowmobile trail.
- D. All ATVs/UTVs must have working head and tail lamps with an exhaust system muffling the noise of the ATV/UTV, acceptable to any law enforcement officer.
- E. Owner must have liability insurance on ATV/UTV waiving any liability on the Village of Dorchester.

Section V: Enforcement

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

Section VI: Penalties

Any person violating this ordinance shall forfeit not less than \$150.00, nor more than \$200.00, and not less than \$200.00, nor more than \$300.00 for the second or subsequent conviction within one year.

Section VII: Severability


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

Passed at a regular session of the Village Board this 1st day of April, 2015.

This ordinance shall be effective upon publication.



Wayne Rau, President



Brooke Ruge, Village Clerk

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