# Ordinance 2025-01 Offenses Involving ATV/UTV Operation

Purpose	
1-1	State ATV/UTV Vehicle Laws Adopted
1-2	ATV/UTV Travel Within Town Limits
1-3	Designated Roads for Operation of ATV/UTV'S
1-4	Forfeitures and Penalties

#### SEC. 1-1 PURPOSE.

This is the Town of Gordon All-Terrain Vehicle (**ATV**) and Utility Terrain Vehicle (**UTV**) Ordinance. Its purpose is to regulate all ATV and UTV operators, traffic and use in the Town of Gordon.

## SEC. 1-2 STATE ATV/UTV VEHICLE LAWS ADOPTED.

Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Chapter, all provisions of the Wisconsin Statutes Section 23.33 and Chapter NR 64 of the Wisconsin Administrative Code as are now in existence and as it may be amended from time to time in the future, and which describe and define regulations with respect to ATV/UTV operators for which the penalty is a forfeiture only, including the penalties to be imposed and the procedures for prosecution, are hereby adopted and by reference made a part of this Ordinance as if fully set forth herein. Any act required to be performed or prohibited by any statute incorporated herein by reference is required or prohibited by this Ordinance.

## SEC. 1-3 ATV/UTV TRAVEL WITHIN TOWN LIMITS.

The operator of any ATV shall comply with the following conditions:

- (a) ATV/UTV's shall be operated on the extreme right side of the roadway and travel with the flow of traffic.
- (b) ATV/UTV's are to be operated in single file.
- (c) Headlights shall be on at all times.
- (d) ATV/UTV operators shall yield the right-of-way to other vehicular traffic and pedestrians.

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#### SEC. 1-4 DESIGNATED ROADS FOR OPERATION OF ATV/UTV'S

All Town of Gordon Roads – effective on and after its passage and posting enacted at regular town board meeting the 8<sup>th</sup> day of July 2025.

#### SEC. 1-5 PENALTIES and FORFEITURES.

The forfeitures and penalties provided for in this section shall be applicable to violations of Sections 1-3 and 1-4 of this Ordinance.

#### SEC. 1-6 INJURY to HIGHWAY

Wis. Stat. § 86.02

Any person who shall injure any highway by obstructing or diverting any creek or watercourse or sluiceway, or by dragging logs or timber thereon, or by any other act, shall be liable in treble damages, to be recovered by the political division chargeable with the maintenance of highway injured, and the amount recovered shall be credited to the highway maintenance fund.

Per this statute the Town is legally able to recover 3x the actual cost of repairing any road damage and will pursue legal action to recover these costs.

**ADOPTED** this 12<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2025, by a majority vote of the town board with a quorum present and voting proper notice given.

g Golembiewski – Chairman

Shawn Germann – Supervisor

Attest: Denise Wohlhier - Clerk