

Township of Columbus
Columbia County, WI
Ordinance 1 - 2020

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

Section I – Intent

The Township of Columbus, Columbia County adopts the following all-terrain (ATV) and utility terrain (UTV) route for the operation of all-terrain and utility-terrain vehicles upon the roadways listed in Section III.

Following due consideration of the recreational value to connect trail opportunities and weighted against possible dangers, public health, liability aspects, terrain involved, traffic density and history of automobile traffic, this route(s) has been created.

Section II – Statutory Authority

This route is created pursuant to township authority under section 1.1.01 as authorized by 23.33 (8) (b), Wis. Stats.

The applicable provisions of 23.33 regulating ATV/UTV operation pursuant to routes are adopted.

Section III – Routes

The following roads are designated as routes:

All official Town roads located within the Township of Columbus are designated as ATV/UTV routes. ATV/UTV signs will be posted at all entrances into the Township.

Section IV – Conditions

All ATV/UTV operators shall observe posted roadway speed limits.

All ATV/UTVs must be properly licensed and/or registered by the State of Wisconsin.

All ATV/UTV operators must follow state statue guidelines which include, but not limited too-riding single file, headlights and taillights must always be turned on. All persons operating an ATV/UTV must be 16 and have a valid driver's license. All persons under 18 operating and/or riding on an ATV/UTV must wear a helmet.

All ATV/UTV operators shall slow the vehicle to a safe speed when operating within a pedestrian or slow-moving vehicle.

Routes must be signed in accordance with NR 64.12, and NR 64.12(7)c, Wisconsin Administrative Code. Quad County Runners will be responsible for all costs of ATV/UTV signs and for their proper installation and future maintenance.

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. 23.33 (13) (a) Wis. Stats., are adopted by reference.

Section VII – Severability

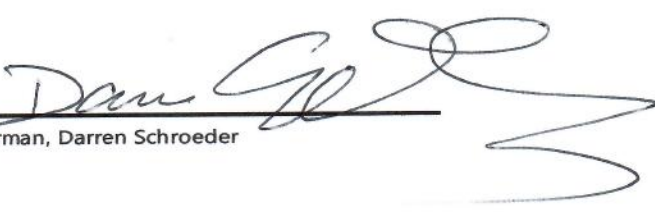
The provision of this ordinance shall be deemed severable and it is expressly declared that the Town would have passed the other provisions of this ordinance irrespective of whether or not one or more provisions may be declared invalid. If any provision of this ordinance or the application to any person or circumstances 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 by the Town Board and posting and erection of required signs.

Passed this 14 Day of Dec 2020

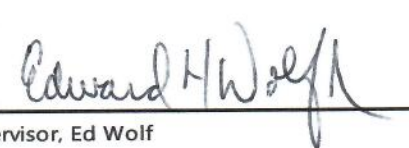
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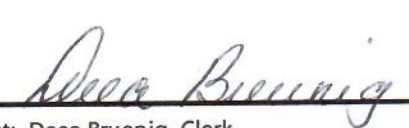
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Supervisor, Harold Schwoerer

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Supervisor, Ed Wolf

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Attest: Deea Bruenig, Clerk