



OFF-HIGHWAY

VEHICLES IN

IDAHO



2020

NEW THIS YEAR

**Effective January 1, 2020 All nonresidents must purchase an IDPR nonresident OHV certificate of number. The cost remains \$12.00 and the certificate can be purchased at any of the IDPR vendors. A complete list of vendors can be found on the IDPR ATV-Motorbike webpage at parksandrecreation.idaho.gov/activities/atv-motorbike



Need Assistance please call: 800-247-6332. Our office is open Monday-Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm (Mountain Time)

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YOUR OHV DOLLARS AT WORK

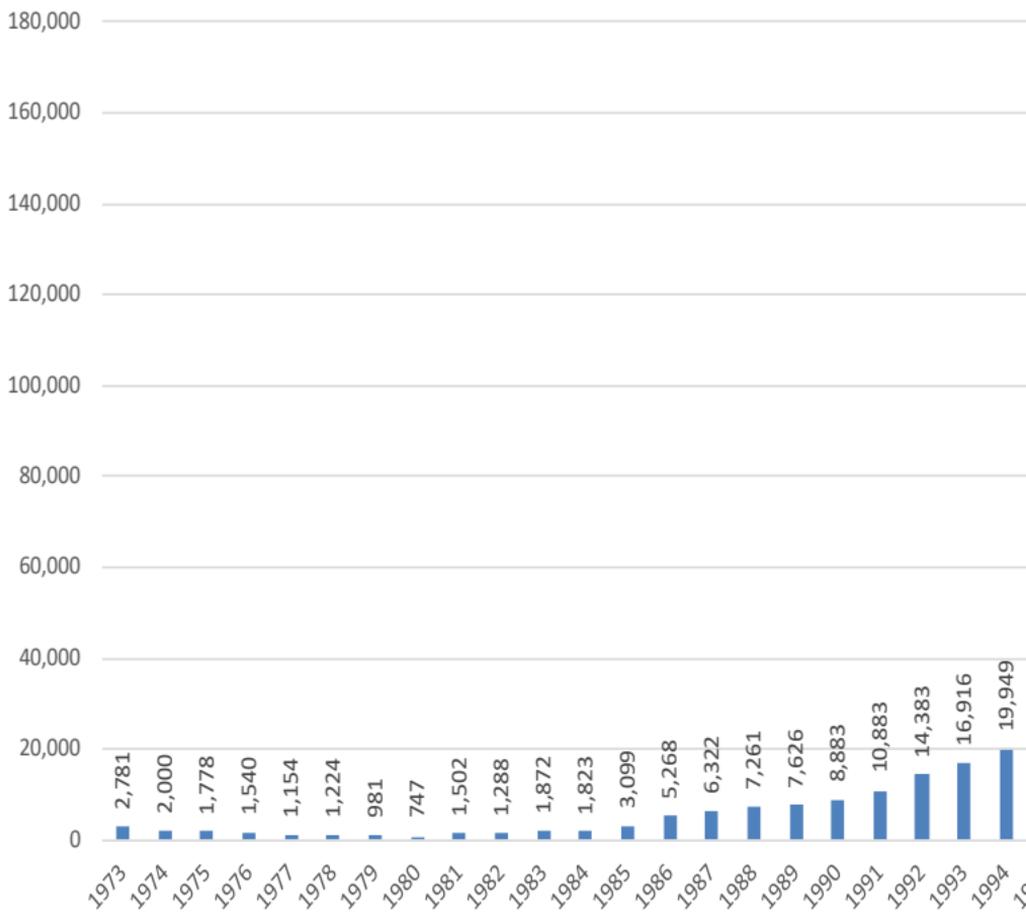
Idahoa Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) certificate of number sticker fees fund education programs and trail maintenance projects throughout the state.

With your support, the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation (IDPR) manages trail crews across the State. Trail Ranger and Trail Cat crews maintain thousands of miles of trail, remove downed trees, clear and install water drainage structures, and re-establish tread.



In addition to maintaining your favorite places to play, your OHV dollars fund valuable ATV, UTV, and motorbike safety courses for all ages. IDPR OHV certificate of number sticker money are dedicated funds returned to the sport. The twelve dollar (\$12.00) fee collected for off-highway vehicle certificate of number stickers is allocated as follows:

- Vendors receive one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) for a handling fee.
- 15% is utilized by the department for administration and for the production of certificate of number stickers.
- \$1 goes to county sheriffs for dedicated OHV law enforcement.
- \$1 goes to Idaho Department of Lands to manage off-highway vehicles.
- The remaining 85% is utilized for the aforementioned trail maintenance and education programs.

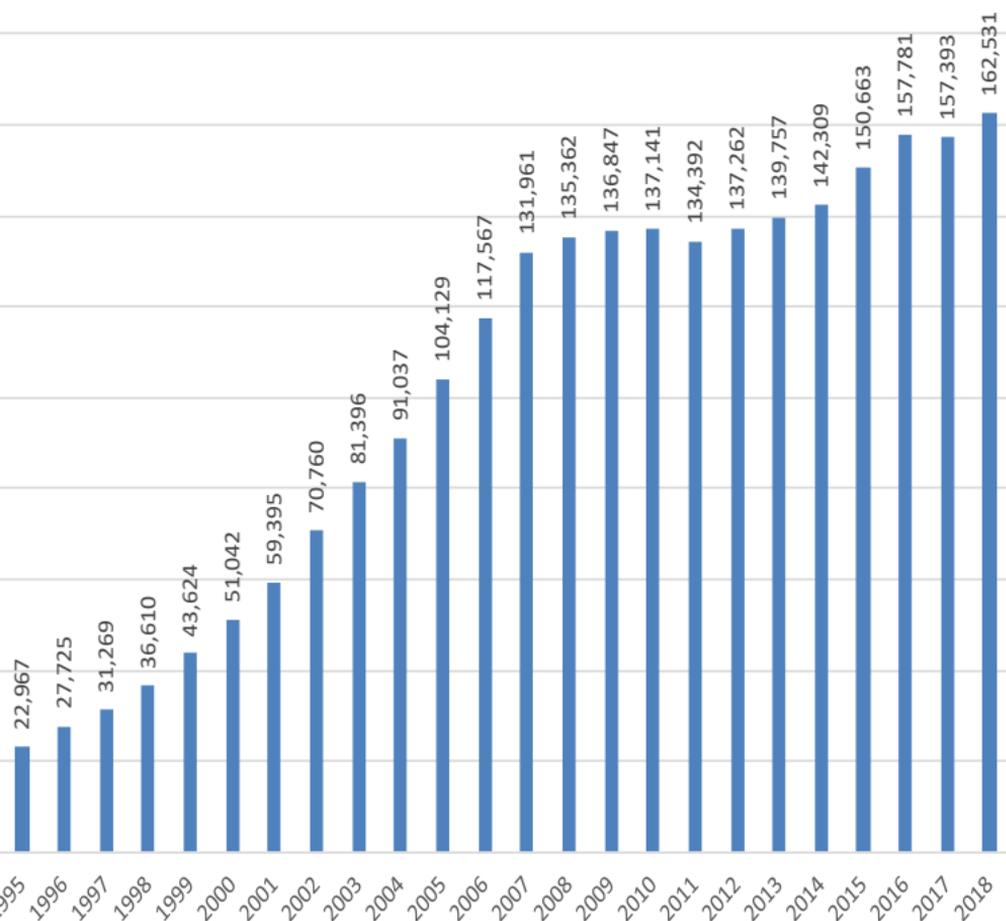


Your OHV Dollars at Work

About us:

The Motorized Trail Program was created in 1970 to ensure quality motorized recreational opportunities remain available by providing maintenance, education, and enforcement partnerships.

The mission of the Motorized Trail Program is to provide leadership statewide in the area of OHV recreation; to work with land managers to provide maintenance on trails, develop new opportunities, provide safety and education classes, and provide comment on all motorized travel planning within Idaho.



The Motorized Trail Program summer activities consist of the following:

- Working with land managers to provide maintenance on designated OHV trails through the Trail Ranger and Trail Cat program
- Providing OHV education opportunities
- Partnering with OHV law enforcement program
- Participating in statewide travel planning
- Working with OHV clubs and organizations to fulfill OHV trail maintenance contracts

Motorized Trail Program Funding

- OHV Certificate of number fees
- OHV percentage of State gas tax
- Federal Recreation Trails gas tax

Trail Ranger Program

Idaho has one of the largest trail systems in the United States. Keeping trails accessible is the number one priority of the Trail Ranger program. Our goal is to clear the maximum miles of trail, while at the same time improving the trail system so all users can enjoy Idaho's trails.

The Motorized Trail program works with clubs and land managers to obtain a list of trails that are in need of light maintenance. These trails are maintained by the Trail Ranger program.



Making more miles of trail available to trail users, disperses the use, reduces environmental impacts, and helps to minimize user conflict.



Trail Cat Program

The Trail Cat program performs heavy maintenance on OHV trails. This program builds new OHV trail when needed but spends the majority of time rebuilding ATV or single track trails that need maintenance.

The Motorized Trail program works with clubs and land managers to obtain a list of trails that are in need of heavy maintenance. These trails are maintained by the Trail Cat program.



Education Program

The OHV Education Program provides classes that are offered for anyone who will be operating an OHV including an ATV, motorbike, or UTV. The course includes training on safe operation and ethical use of OHVs.



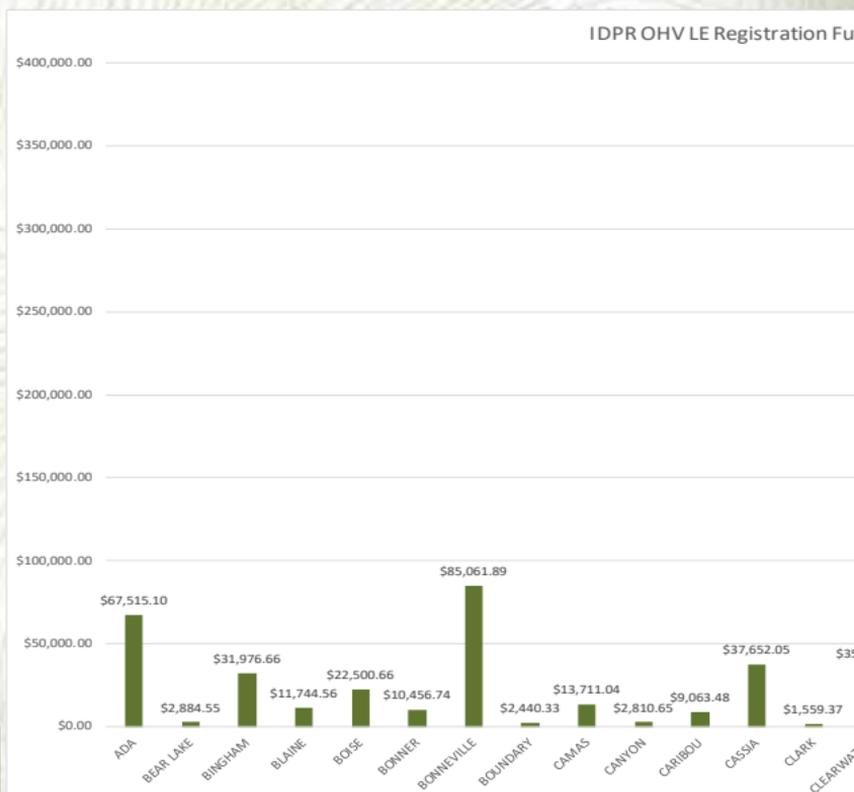


Lands Analyst

The Lands Analyst works diligently to meet the department's strategic plan of: "No net loss of motorized or non-motorized access to recreational trails." This is made possible by reading and analyzing federal management actions that impact recreation opportunities and providing comment back to those agencies that suggest improvements or mitigation to protect those opportunities. These actions may include travel management plans and watershed improvement projects among other things.

Our Lands Analyst is also responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of the Idaho trail mapping program at www.trails.idaho.gov.

Your OHV Dollars at Work



Idaho OHV Clubs

The Motorized Trail Program provides funding to OHV clubs who perform light maintenance that meets the land management standards to compliment the work done by our Trail Ranger and Trail Cat programs.



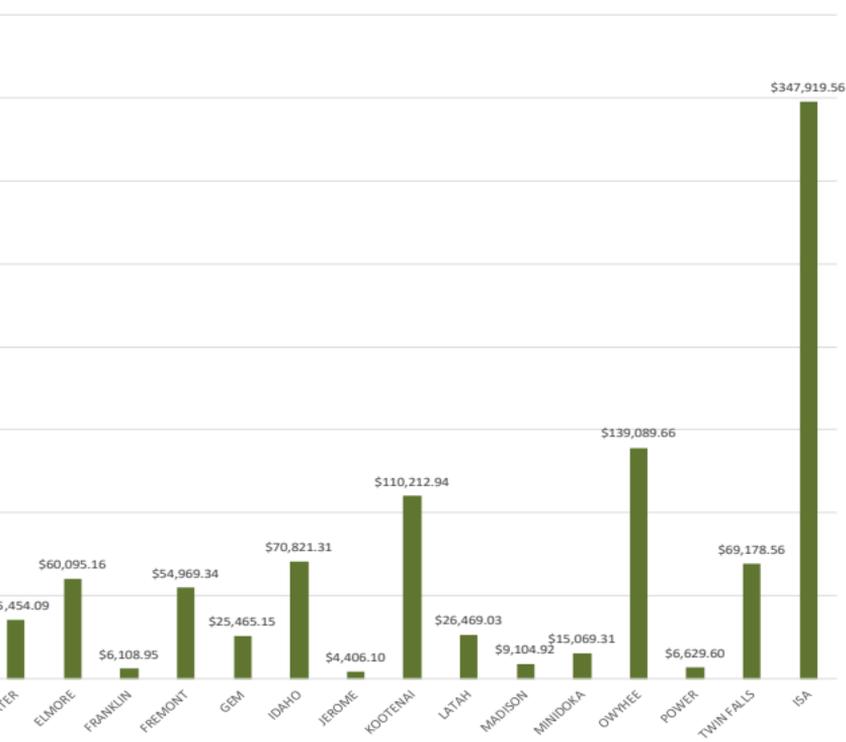
Law Enforcement

One dollar out of each certificate of number goes to county OHV specific law enforcement.

IDAPA 26.01.31.251

Money from the OHV law enforcement fund shall be used to defray costs for enforcement by sheriffs' offices pertaining to the use of ATV, UTV, motorbikes, and specialty off-highway vehicles.

Funds Distribution 2010 - 2018



IDAHO TRAILS & RIDING AREAS

Visit IDPR's on-line mapping program at:
www.trails.idaho.gov.



Trail enthusiasts can go online and browse Idaho's OHV trails. Once you've selected your riding area, you can print a map or download the file and take it to a third party to be printed at a larger scale. You may also export trails into Google Earth. From there, all of the popular Google Earth tools are available such as viewing in 3D and changing the orientation of the map. This project was completed using OHV certificate of number fees.

In addition, most agencies provide maps to assist riders, indicating where OHV use is allowed. Telephone numbers of various land managing agencies are included in this booklet on page 10. Always contact the local land managing authority for current trail maps and riding information.



ROUTE PLANNING

Idaho's public lands are managed by a variety of government agencies. These agencies determine OHV opportunities throughout the state and are responsible for mapping and management. Excellent OHV trail riding opportunities exist throughout the state, although route changes do occur. It is always best to check with local management offices to find out about current trail conditions/closures and travel requirements. The Forest Service and BLM conduct a detailed planning process to determine which routes are available for motorized travel. Because this planning process takes time to complete, different areas of public lands have different types of information and maps available about motorized recreation opportunities. The amount and quality of OHV route information and trail maps will improve as travel planning is completed and updated.

FOREST SERVICE MAPS

Forest Service Motor Vehicle Use Maps (MVUM) are available for finding OHV opportunities on National Forest lands. Maps show information about the routes available for motorized access and recreation. They are available for every National Forest in Idaho and can be obtained at Forest Service offices or by mail. Some National Forests offer their maps online.

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT MAPS

The BLM publishes two series of maps that show travel routes on public lands. These maps can be obtained at BLM offices or by mail.

OHV RIDING AREAS AND TRAILS

Land use designations change. IDPR urges all riders to contact the appropriate agency for current travel opportunity guides and maps.



Avondale Basin

Grasshopper Spring



U.S. FOREST SERVICE

1. Idaho Panhandle National Forest
(208) 765-7223 - www.fs.usda.gov/ipnf
2. Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests
(208) 935-2513 - www.fs.usda.gov/nezperceclearwater
3. Payette National Forest
(208) 634-0700 - www.fs.usda.gov/payette
4. Boise National Forest
(208) 373-4100 - www.fs.usda.gov/boise
5. Sawtooth National Forest
(208) 737-3200 - www.fs.usda.gov/sawtooth
6. Salmon/Challis National Forest
(208) 756-5100 - www.fs.usda.gov/scnf
7. Caribou/Targhee National Forest
(208) 524-7500 - www.fs.usda.gov/ctnf

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

- A. Coeur d' Alene District Office
(208) 769-5000 - <https://www.blm.gov/office/coeur-dalene-field-office>
- B. Boise District Office
(208) 384-3300 - blm_id_boisedistrict@blm.gov
- C. Twin Falls District Office
(208) 735-2060 - <https://www.blm.gov/office/burley-field-office>
- D. Idaho Falls District Office
(208) 524-7500 - <https://www.blm.gov/office/upper-snake-field-officel>

OHV LAWS, RULES, & REQUIREMENTS

The following information highlights Idaho's OHV laws and rules. It answers frequently asked questions about OHV activities on public lands, roads, and trails, and provides important contact information. Riders are cautioned that additional laws and rules may apply to the operation of off-highway vehicles.

For more information contact:

Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation, Motorized Trails Office

Boise – Southwest Idaho
5657 Warm Springs Avenue
Boise, ID 83716
(208) 514-2411

Idaho Falls – Southeast Idaho
4279 Commerce Circle, Ste. B
Idaho Falls, ID 83401
(208) 525-7121

Coeur d'Alene – North Idaho
2885 Kathleen Ave. Ste. 1
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815
(208) 769-1511



DEFINITIONS

IDAHO CODE 67-7101

- **ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE (ATV)** means any recreational motor vehicle designed for or capable of traveling off developed roadways and highways with three (3) or more tires and fifty-five (55) inches or less in width, with a wheelbase of sixty-one (61) inches or less, and with handlebar steering and a seat designed to be straddled by the operator..



- **DEPARTMENT or IDPR** means the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation.

- **MOTORBIKE** means any self-propelled two (2) wheeled motorcycle or motor-driven cycle, excluding tractors, designed for or capable of traveling off developed roadways and highways and also referred to as trailbikes, enduro bikes, trials bikes, motocross bikes or dual purpose motorcycles.



- **SPECIALTY OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE (SOHV)** means any vehicle manufactured, designed or constructed exclusively for off-highway operation that does not fit the definition of an all-terrain vehicle, utility type vehicle or motorbike as defined in this section.



- **UTILITY TYPE VEHICLE (UTV)** means any recreational motor vehicle other than an ATV, motorbike or snowmobile as defined in this section, designed for and capable of travel over designated roads, traveling on four (4) or more tires, maximum width less than eighty (80) inches, and having a wheelbase of one hundred ten (110) inches or less. A utility type vehicle must have a minimum width of fifty (50) inches, a minimum weight of at least nine hundred (900) pounds or a wheelbase of over sixty-one (61) inches. Utility type vehicle does not include golf carts, vehicles specially designed to carry a disabled person, implements of husbandry as defined in section 49-110(2), Idaho Code, or vehicles otherwise registered under title 49, Idaho Code. A UTV also means a recreational off-highway vehicle or ROV.



REQUIREMENTS FOR OHV OPERATION

FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARDS

Any vehicle that does not meet federal motor vehicle safety standards shall not be permitted to operate on state highways, interstates, or controlled access roadways.

TRAILS

These are the requirements for motorbikes, ATVs, UTVs, and Specialty Off-highway vehicles operating off-highway on a designated trail, open riding area or motocross track.

- A valid IDPR OHV certificate of number sticker for resident and nonresident IC 67-7122
- A DOT approved helmet under age 18. IC 49-666
- A muffler and Forest Service approved spark arrestor. Your muffler must be at or below 96dB at the half-meter test, SAE J1287. IC 67-7125

STATE & FEDERAL ROADS

This includes Idaho Department of Lands, Bureau of Land Management, U. S. Forest Service, Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation, Idaho Department of Fish and Game, and privately owned roads open to OHV use. Contact the land owner or manager for information on roads open to OHV use.

- OHV Education Certificate for unlicensed operators. IC 49-302(11)a U.S. Forest Service Roads only.
- Valid driver's license (except under the age of 16 when supervised by a licensed adult operator). IC 49-301 or IC 49-302 "supervised" means the supervising licensed adult must be in a position, on another OHV to provide close support, assistance or direction, or if on the ground, within three hundred (300) feet of the unlicensed operator.
- Liability insurance or alternative insurance. IC 49-1223 or IC 49-1232
- Valid IDPR OHV certificate of number sticker for resident and nonresident IC 67-7122
- A DOT approved helmet under age 18. IC 49-666
- Muffler and U.S. Forest Service approved spark arrestor. Your muffler must be at or below 96dB at the half-meter test, SAE J1287. IC 67-7125

CITY & COUNTY ROADS

The following requirements must be met on city, county, and highway district roads. Check with local jurisdiction for information on roads open to OHV use.

- Valid restricted vehicle license plate. IC 49-402(4)
- Valid IDPR OHV certificate of number sticker affixed to restricted vehicle license plate for resident and nonresident. IC 67-7122
- Valid driver's license. IC 49-301
- Liability insurance or alternative insurance. IC 49-1223 or IC 49-1232
- A DOT approved helmet under age 18. IC 49-666
- Muffler and U.S. Forest Service approved spark arrestor. Your muffler must be at or below 96dB at the half-meter test. SAE J1287. IC 67-7125

For safe operation on roads the following equipment is recommended:

- Brake light.
- Headlight and taillight after dark/poor visibility.
- Horn audible at 200 feet.
- Mirror showing roadway 200 feet behind the OHV.

OHV WEIGHTS & MEASURES

MOTORBIKE

Wheels/Tires: 2



ATV (ALL TERRAIN VEHICLE)

Wheels/Tires: 3 or more

Steering: Handlebars

Seat Type: Straddle

Width: 55" maximum

Wheelbase: 61" maximum



UTV or ROV (UTILITY TYPE VEHICLE)

Wheels/Tires: 4

Steering: Steering Wheel

Width: 50" minimum, 79" maximum

Wheelbase: 110" maximum

Weight: 900 pounds minimum



SOHV (SPECIALTY OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE)

Any vehicle designed or constructed exclusively for off highway operation that does not fit the definition of an ATV, UTV or Motorbike. SOHVs include a buggy, modified golf cart, modified rock crawler, jeep or sand rail.



LICENSE & CERTIFICATE OF NUMBER

Any OHV being operated on public lands, roads, or trails of the state of Idaho must display a current IDPR OHV certificate of number sticker.

IDAHO CODE 67-7122

CERTIFICATE OF NUMBER EXPIRATION

All IDPR OHV certificate of number stickers are valid through December 31st of the issued year.

IDAHO CODE 67-7124

NON-RESIDENT REQUIREMENTS

Any nonresident owner or applicant of a noncommercial off-highway vehicle shall be required to obtain a nonresident OHV user certificate. A fee of twelve dollars (\$12.00) shall be imposed for the issuance of a nonresident OHV user certificate. Nonresidents must purchase an Idaho restricted vehicle license plate with a valid certificate of number sticker if they wish to operate on Idaho's local jurisdiction roads (i.e. city or county roads). Need Assistance please call: 800-247-6332. Our office is open Monday-Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm (Mountain Time)

IDAHO CODE 67-7122

CERTIFICATE OF



NUMBER STICKER PLACEMENT

The IDPR OHV certificate of number sticker must be visible and kept legible at all times. Placement for specific OHVs is noted on following page.

IDPR ANNUAL PASSPORT STICKER PLACEMENT

The IDPR Passport sticker must be visible and kept legible at all times. ATV, UTV and SOHV - The sticker must be permanently affixed on the rear fender next to the IDPR OHV certificate of number sticker. Motorbike - The sticker must be permanently affixed on the riders right fork above or below the IDPR OHV certificate of number sticker. Placement for specific OHVs is noted on following page.



CERTIFICATE OF NUMBER STICKER PLACEMENT
MOTORBIKE – Riders right fork.



ATV, UTV, SOHV – Rear fender.



**PLACEMENT OF THE PARK PASSPORT WILL FOLLOW THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS.

RESTRICTED VEHICLE LICENSE PLATE
– Lower right corner



IDAHO CODE 49-114(10)
**MOTORBIKES CONVERTED FOR
ON-HIGHWAY USE**

For motorbikes that have been converted to motorcycles (meet all equipment requirements to display the red, white and blue motor vehicle license plate) and are operated off-highway, the IDPR OHV Certificate of number sticker must be displayed on the rider's right fork for resident and nonresident

IDAHO CODE 49-304
MOTORCYCLE ENDORSEMENT

Operators of OHVs displaying a restricted vehicle license plate are not required to have a motorcycle "M" endorsement on their driver's license. The motorcycle "M" endorsement applies only to motorcycles displaying a red, white and blue motor vehicle license plate.



IDAHO CODE 49-501
TITLING

If you acquired your motorbike or ATV after 1991, or your UTV after July 1, 2006 you are required to title it in your name. Proof of ownership (a title) is required to obtain a restricted vehicle license plate.

IDAHO CODE 49-426
**AGRICULTURAL/SNOW REMOVAL
USE EXEMPTION**

OHVs used exclusively on private land for agricultural use or used exclusively for snow removal purposes as provided in section 49-426(2) do not require an OHV certificate of number sticker or restricted vehicle license plate. For any uses other than agricultural or snow-plowing on private land the OHV must be numbered or licensed for that purpose.

IDAHO CODE 49-426**CONTROLLED ACCESS HIGHWAYS
USE EXEMPTION**

ATV, UTV, SOHV, and motorbikes shall be permitted to cross a non-full access-controlled highway at a public road intersection. ATV, UTV, SOHV, and motorbikes shall be permitted to travel upon that portion of any non-full access-controlled state highway with a speed limit of forty-five (45) miles per hour or less lying within and extending one (1) mile beyond the boundaries of a municipality unless restricted by the Idaho transportation board or closed as provided in subsection (3) of IC49-426(4).

IDAHO CODE 67-7112**GROOMED SNOWMOBILE TRAILS**

Counties shall have the option to allow all-terrain vehicles and snowmobiles over one thousand (1,000) pounds unladen gross weight, if numbered as a snowmobile, to use snowmobile trails in the county. No other vehicles shall operate on groomed snowmobile trails unless specifically allowed by the county. Any all-terrain vehicle and snowmobile over one thousand (1,000) pounds unladen gross weight operating on groomed snowmobile trails during the winter snowmobiling season when the trails are groomed shall be numbered as a snowmobile under the provisions of section 67-7103, Idaho Code.

**IDAHO CODE 67-7125****OHV SOUND REQUIREMENTS**

OHVs operating in Idaho must be equipped with a USFS approved muffler and spark arrestor. The OHV cannot exceed 96dB when tested in accordance with the SAE J1287 sound testing procedure.

EDUCATION,

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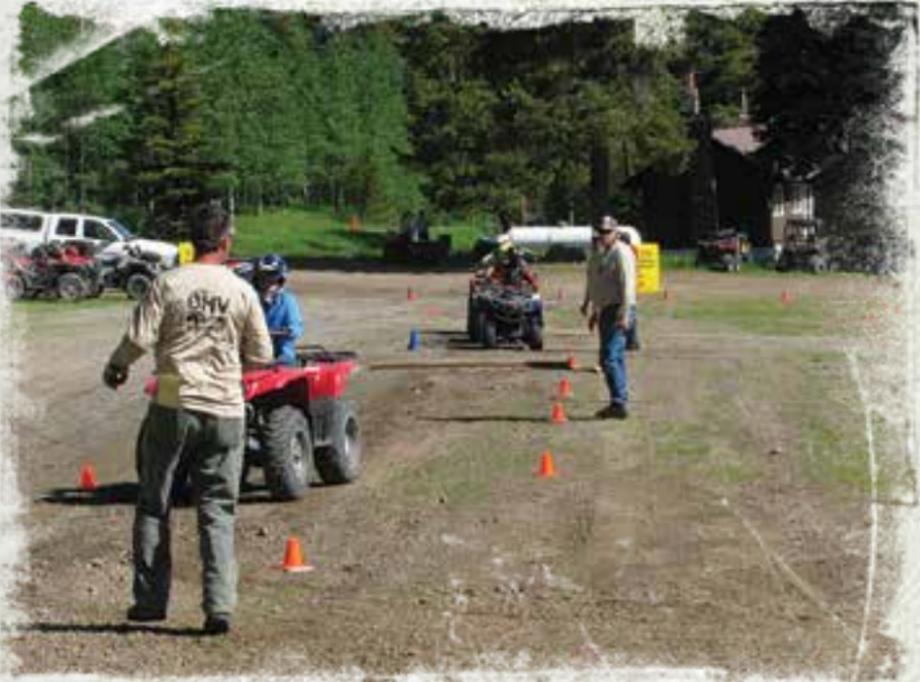
ETHICS

OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE EDUCATION

Be prepared and educate yourself before hitting the trail. Your safety, and the safety of those you choose to recreate with is paramount. For that reason, the Department offers education opportunities statewide for motorbikes, UTVs and ATVs. Funded by Idaho OHV certificate of number program dollars, courses are free and include ATV, UTV, and motorbike rider safety, rules of the road and ethical use.

IDAHO CODE 49-302 (11)a UNLICENSED OPERATORS UNDER 16

Any unlicensed operators under the age of sixteen (16) years, on national forest roads, must have completed a motorbike, ATV, or UTV safety course approved by the Idaho Department of Parks & Recreation, and a certificate or other proof of completion of such safety course shall be in the possession of the unlicensed operator of any ATV, UTV, specialty off-highway vehicle or motorbike, or shall be present in the vehicle at all times when the vehicle is operated on national forest roads.



YOUTH EDUCATION

The Department encourages anyone who will be operating off-highway vehicles to complete the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation Responsible Riders OHV education class before operating on public lands. Classes are fun, free, and offered at locations throughout the state.



WHAT TO BRING TO CLASS:

- Parent (each student must bring one parent or legal guardian)
- Properly sized machine with a current certificate of number
- DOT approved helmet, goggles or face shield, gloves, long-sleeved shirt, long pants & boots

To look at the IDPR Responsible Riders class schedule and to register for classes, visit reced.idaho.gov

For additional information or to register, please visit www.reced.idaho.gov or contact the OHV Education Program at: ohveducation@idpr.idaho.gov

Southwest Idaho - (208) 514-2414

North Idaho - (208) 769-1511

Southeast Idaho - (208) 525-7121



ATV Sizing Chart for Recommended Rider Fit

Brake Reach: With hands placed in the normal operating position and fingers straight out, the first joint (from the tip) of the middle finger will extend beyond the brake lever and clutch.



Leg Length: While sitting and with their feet on the footrests, the knee must be bent at least 45 degrees.

Grip Reach: While sitting upright on the ATV with hands on the handle bars and not leaning forward, there must be a distinct angle between the upper arm and the forearm.



The operator must be able to turn the handle bars from lock to lock while maintaining grip on the handle bars and maintaining throttle and brake control.



BECOME A VOLUNTEER OHV INSTRUCTOR

Experienced riders who would like to volunteer their time to teach motorbike, UTV, or ATV skills and safety to children in the Responsible Riders OHV Education program are encouraged to contact the OHV Education office for information on becoming certified as an OHV Education Instructor. (OHVEducation@idpr.idaho.gov)



A VOLUNTEER INSTRUCTOR MUST:

- Be at least 16 years of age.
- Provide their own off-highway vehicle and transportation for classes.
- Teach two (2) courses annually.
- Complete specific training for each certification desired.
- Demonstrate a willingness to devote the necessary time and effort to carry out program responsibilities.
- Demonstrate the abilities necessary to perform the duties and responsibilities of a Certified Volunteer Instructor.
- Demonstrate an interest in facilitating course ethics based upon responsibility and respect.



TREAD LIGHTLY!

All riders must be good ambassadors for the sport. Generally, that means learning to share the trails with other users, as well as learning to take proper care of the environment where they ride. The following tips will help make you a more responsible rider.

- Protect your riding privilege by staying on the trail!
- Avoid riding in wet meadows or on stream banks.
- Avoid riding on steep and erodible slopes.
- Avoid riding over small trees and shrubs. Trampled vegetation not only looks bad, but also damages critical wildlife habitat and contributes to soil erosion.
- Always yield the right of way to non-motorized trail users. When encountering hikers or horses on the trail, pull over and shut off your engine. Remove your helmet and let them pass out of sight before restarting.
- Ride in the middle of the trail to avoid widening it. Trail widening is unsightly and expensive to repair.
- Do not alter the manufacturer's muffler system. Loud exhaust systems are annoying to other users.
- Honor seasonal and permanent trail closures.
- When overtaking others, follow at a safe distance until they signal you to pass. Be courteous while passing. A little bump of the throttle can leave a shower of gravel or a cloud of dust and an enemy behind you.
- Never harass wildlife or domestic animals that you may encounter while riding. Always view wildlife from a respectful distance.
- Never litter. Always carry out what you carry in. Carry a trash bag with you to pack out trash that you may come upon.
- Always choose to 'Tread Lightly' and protect the fragile environments where you recreate.

For more information on the Tread Lightly® program, please contact:

Tread Lightly
298 24th St., Ste. 325, Ogden, UT 84401
1(800) 966-9900
www.treadlightly.org

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ON LAND AND WATER



PROTECT YOUR PRIVILEGE -GET INVOLVED!

Riding on public lands is a privilege, not a right.

Because it is a privilege, it can be taken away if riders don't do everything they possibly can to protect it.

Responsible riders know that one way to protect their riding privilege is to stay on the designated trails. They know these routes have been developed to provide them with great riding adventures. They also know that whole riding areas and trail systems can be closed because of the careless acts of irresponsible riders.

GET INVOLVED

Join an OHV club or organization in your area and participate in their activities. Group rides provide a great way to meet new people and learn new places to ride.

THE IDAHO RECREATION COUNCIL

The Idaho Recreation Council is a recognized, statewide, collaboration of Idaho recreation enthusiasts and others that will identify and work together on recreation issues in cooperation with land managers, legislators and the public to ensure a positive future for responsible outdoor recreation access for everyone, now and into the future.

The Idaho Recreation Council is a collaboration of Idaho recreation enthusiasts on the following activities: 4 x 4, Equestrian, Backcountry Aviators, Mountain Biking, Snowmobiles, Motorcycles, Rafts/Jet boats, ATV/UTV's, RVers, Recreational Miners, and Rock Hounds .

The Idaho Recreation Council is comprised of Idahoans from all parts of the state with a wide spectrum of recreation interest and love for the future of Idaho and a desire to preserve recreation for future generations of Idahoans.





GET INVOLVED

WORKING TOGETHER

Stay up to date with travel planning in Idaho and make your voice heard. Effective individuals and clubs are necessary to maintain motorized recreation in Idaho. Sustainable motorized recreation will require continuing partnerships to address road and trail maintenance, enforcement, and protection of natural resources.

US FOREST SERVICE TRAVEL MANAGEMENT RULE

(36 CFR 212, SUBPART B, DESIGNATION OF ROADS, TRAILS, AND AREAS FOR MOTOR VEHICLE USE)

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE RULE

- The rule requires each national forest or ranger district to designate those roads, trails, and areas open to motor vehicles.
- Designation will include class of vehicle and, if appropriate, time of year for motor vehicle use. A given route, for example, could be designated for use by motorcycles, ATVs, or street-legal vehicles.
- Once designation is complete, the rule will prohibit motor vehicle use off the designated system or inconsistent with the designations.
- Designation decisions will be made locally, with public input and in coordination with state, local, and tribal governments.
- Designations will be shown on a motor vehicle use map. Use inconsistent with the designations will be prohibited.

TRIP PLANNING CHECKLIST

Like anything else, a safe and enjoyable OHV ride starts with proper planning. Always tell someone where you are going and when you will return. Leave a map of the area you will be riding. That way, if you need help, they will know where to look!

Always inspect your machine before every trip to make certain your OHV is in top mechanical condition. Take care of your body, ensure you are in good enough physical condition to withstand the rigors of OHV recreation.

Carrying a few basic items will also help in the event of an emergency. This checklist will help you remember the items you need to make every trip fun and safe.

- Plenty of extra water and food
- Extra fuel and oil
- Set of basic tools that fit your machine
- A basic first aid kit
- Extra spark plugs
- A flashlight
- A tow strap or rope
- Waterproof matches
- Duct tape and electrical tape
- A tire repair kit
- A map, compass, and GPS receiver
- Cell phone or two-way radios
- Camera to record your adventures!

For extended trips, you might also want to consider adding the following:

- Spare throttle and brake cables
- Brake fluid
- Master links for chain repair
- A quality survival kit
- A spare tire or tube

HUNTING & OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES

The use of OHVs during hunting season is increasing dramatically. While OHVs make some areas more accessible, it is imperative that operators use trail etiquette.

- Know the vehicle use regulations for the area you are hunting. Contact the local BLM Field Office, Forest Service Ranger District or local Idaho Department of Lands office for travel management information before you go.
- Respect road and area closures.
- Stay on existing roads or trails. Do not contribute to resource damage and habitat destruction by creating new trails for others to follow.
- User-created trails are often poorly located within riparian zones or on steep slopes creating vegetation and soil impacts. Don't make the problem worse by continuing to use these routes.
- To cause less disturbance to hunters around you, access your hunting area before shooting hours and then hunt on foot.



- Retrieve harvested big game during the middle of the day (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.) to reduce conflicts with other hunters.
- Have respect for other users. Slow down or stop your OHV when you approach others on the trail. When meeting equestrians, approach slowly, pull over and stop, turn off your engine, remove your helmet and ask how best to proceed.

- Avoid the use of OHVs in wet areas or during wet conditions. Even though the lighter weight and low-pressure tires reduce impacts, OHVs can still do serious damage to wet areas.
- Keep your OHV properly tuned and muffled to reduce exhaust sounds and emissions.
- Don't widen single-track trails by forcing your ATV or UTV down the trail.
- When overtaking others, pass in a safe and courteous manner.
- Limit OHV use in and around campgrounds. Be respectful of other campers' desires for quiet and minimal disruption.
- Would you like to receive the DVD based on ethical use of OHV's for hunting?
You can request a copy by e-mail:
ohveducation@idpr.idaho.gov

These are simple things, but they can go a long way toward reducing the impact of OHV use. They will protect the habitat and improve the Idaho hunting experience. Following these guidelines will reduce the need for more regulations and help retain the OHV opportunities that currently exist.

For more information regarding Idaho hunting and fishing rules, regulations, and seasons, contact:

Idaho Fish and Game
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