

Quick Facts

Off-Highway Vehicles



Respect the Land

Alberta has with a vast and diverse landscape filled with endless opportunities to enjoy the great outdoors in all their beauty. When you head out on public land on your off-highway vehicle, make sure you know the rules of the trail and are ready for whatever it brings.

KnowB4UGo

- Use designated trails, bridges and water crossings that appear on current official Alberta Environment and Parks maps.
- Only travel on open, designated trails when in public land use zones. Visit www.alberta.ca and search for trail closures.
- Keep wheels out of water and steer clear of bodies of water, beds and shores. You could be fined or receive a court summons.
- Wash vehicles well away from bodies of water.
- Keep vehicle hot spots free of debris.
- Leave no garbage behind. Pack it in, pack it out.
- Limit camping stays to 14 days on public land.
- Contact leaseholders prior to travel on agricultural leased land.



General
Information
310-3773

Report
Land Abuse
1-800-642-3800

Report Wildfires
310-FIRE (3473)

Fire Ban
Information
1-866-394-3473

Trail etiquette

- Plan your route and check trail conditions and area fire bans before you leave.
- Share trails with other users and yield to non-motorized trail users.
- Pull over, turn off engine and remove your helmet when horseback riders are approaching.
- Leave gates and fences as you find them.
- Choose dry and hard packed trails.
- Keep a safe distance from wildlife.

It's the law

- Alberta's traffic laws apply to all vehicles, on and off the road.
- Vehicles must be registered and insured with a licence plate.
- Drivers under 14 years of age must be supervised by an adult.
- Drivers and riders must wear a helmet – preferably one with face and/or eye protection. Protective boots and clothing are a good way to go too.
- Impaired driving is a crime on and off the road. If you're caught with a blood alcohol concentration over 0.08 mg, or for refuse to provide requested sample — you will be charged.
- Vehicles must be equipped with a headlight, tail light and proper muffler.

Ride on the safe side

- Check the public land use zone regulations and municipal off-highway vehicle bylaws/laws for where you plan to go.
- Follow the manufacturer's recommendation for the minimum age. Children should not operate an off-highway vehicle designed for an adult.
- Never carry a passenger on a single-seat vehicle. It can affect the balance and cause you to lose control.
- Off-highway vehicles are powerful machines and should not be operated without proper training and skill.

Report land abuse

- If you see anyone damaging or abusing Alberta public lands, call 1-800-642-3800 to report it.