



**TOWN OF ALPINE, WYOMING
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-016**

**AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE OPERATION OF OFF-ROAD VEHICLES
WITHIN THE TOWN LIMITS OF ALPINE, WYOMING:**

SECTION 1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this ordinance is to promote the safe and responsible operation of Off-Road Recreational Vehicles (ORVs) within the Town of Alpine, while protecting public safety, maintaining roadway integrity, and ensuring compliance with Wyoming State Statutes.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS

- a) **“Off-Road Recreational Vehicle (ORV)”** — as defined in Wyoming Statute § 31-1-101(k), means:
 - i. **Type 1:** Any recreational vehicle primarily designed for off-road use with an unladen weight of 1,100 pounds or less;
 - ii. **Type 2:** Any unlicensed motorcycle with an unladen weight of 600 pounds or less, designed for off-road use with the operator astride upon a seat or saddle and traveling on two tires;
 - iii. **Type 3:** Any multi-wheeled motorized vehicle not required by law to be licensed and designed for cross-country travel on or over land, sand, snow, ice, or other natural terrain, with an unladen weight exceeding 900 pounds.
- b) **“Operator”** — every person who operates or has actual physical control of an ORV.
- c) **“Roads and/or Travel Routes”** — streets or roads designated by the Town of Alpine, Lincoln County, or other land-managing agencies as ORV travel routes enrolled in the State of Wyoming Trails Program.

SECTION 3. OPERATION OF OFF-ROAD VEHICLES ON TOWN STREETS

Off-Road Vehicles may be operated on designated streets, roads, and/or travel routes of the Town of Alpine, pursuant to Wyoming Statute § 31-5-1601 and subject to the following requirements:

- a) **Registration.** ORVs displaying a current State of Wyoming ORV registration decal (§ 31-2-703 (a); § 31-2-702; § 31-5-1601) may be operated only upon streets or roads designated as Wyoming ORV travel routes by the agency having jurisdiction.
- b) **Driver’s License.** The operator must possess a valid driver’s license with any required endorsement (§ 31-5-124(a)(i)(C); § 31-2-201(h); § 31-7-109(f)). Operators and riders are strongly encouraged to wear helmets (§ 31-5-124(a)(i)(B)).

- c) **Insurance.** No person shall operate, nor shall an owner knowingly permit operation of, an ORV within the Town of Alpine unless it is properly insured in accordance with W.S. § 31-9-101 et seq.
- d) **Designated Streets.** The Town Council may, by resolution, designate certain streets, avenues, or alleys within the Town where ORV travel is permitted. Such designations shall be posted at Town Hall, published on the Town's website, and may be noticed in a newspaper of general circulation. It shall not be a violation to cross such designated streets perpendicularly.
- e) **Parks and Public Property.** ORVs are prohibited in municipal parks, playgrounds, and recreation areas unless posted as open to ORVs.
- f) **Formation.** Operators shall not ride abreast of another vehicle and must travel single-file.
- g) **Noise and Nuisance.** All ORVs must have a functioning muffler and exhaust system in good repair and shall not produce excessive noise or emissions, consistent with the Town's Noise Ordinance.

SECTION 4. INSPECTION AND ENFORCEMENT

- a) The Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, Wyoming Highway Patrol, or other law enforcement officers authorized by the Town may, upon reasonable cause, stop and inspect any ORV believed to be unsafe, improperly equipped, or not in compliance with this chapter.
- b) No person shall operate an ORV after receiving notice of defects or unsafe conditions, except to return the vehicle to a residence, place of business, or repair facility.
- c) Violations of this ordinance may result in fines, impoundment, or both. Fines shall be established by resolution of the Town Council.

SECTION 5. DESIGNATION OF ROUTES

The Town Council shall maintain and make publicly available a list and/or map of designated ORV routes within Town limits. Routes may be added, modified, or removed by resolution as conditions warrant.

SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY

If any section, subsection, or provision of this ordinance is declared invalid, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage, approval, and publication according to law.

Passed First Reading on the 18th day of November 2025.

VOTE: ___ YES, ___ NO, ___ ABSTAIN, ___ ABSENT

Passed Second Reading on the 2nd day of December 2025.

VOTE: ___ YES, ___ NO, ___ ABSTAIN, ___ ABSENT

Passed on Third and Final Reading 23rd day of December 2025.

VOTE: ___ YES, ___ NO, ___ ABSTAIN, ___ ABSENT

TOWN OF ALPINE

Eric Green, Mayor of Alpine

ATTEST:

Monica L. Chenault, Clerk / Treasurer

ATTESTATION OF THE TOWN CLERK

STATE OF WYOMING)
COUNTY OF LINCOLN)
TOWN OF ALPINE)

I hereby certify that the forgoing Ordinance No. 2025-016 shall be duly posted for ten (10) days in the Town Office.

I further certify that the foregoing Ordinance will be posted on the Town website in final form, upon its passing and approved by the Town Council as soon as is practicable.

I further certify that the forgoing Ordinance will be duly recorded in the BOOK OF ORDINANCES, TOWN OF ALPINE, LINCOLN COUNTY, WYOMING.

ATTEST:

Monica L. Chenault, Clerk / Treasurer