

Sec. 39-\_\_\_\_\_ - Recreational Off-Highway Vehicle and Utility Vehicle

A “recreational off-highway vehicle” or a “utility vehicle” (hereinafter “vehicle”), as defined in Section 39-500, may be operated on the streets, roadways or highways within the city under the following circumstances:

- A. The operator shall observe all traffic laws and local ordinances and not obstruct or interfere with the normal flow of traffic.
- B. The operator shall possess a valid driver’s license.
- C. The operator shall be eighteen (18) years of age or older.
- D. The operator shall maintain financial responsibility on the vehicle.
- E. The vehicle shall be operated only between the hours of official sunrise and sunset.
- F. The vehicle shall be equipped with headlights, taillights, turn signals, rearview mirror, seat belts, horn, adequate brakes, reliable steering, safe tires and reflectorized warning devices.
- G. The vehicle may not be operated on a State or Federal highway except for the purpose of crossing to gain access to a city street, roadway or highway.
- H. The vehicle shall not be operated on any city street, roadway or highway with posted speeds of more than thirty-five (35) miles per hour.
- I. Unless they are equipped to do so, there can be no passengers riding on these vehicles. If they are equipped the following shall apply:
  - 1. Children less than four (4) years old or less than forty (40) pounds must be in an appropriate child safety seat. (Section 307.179, RSMo.)
  - 2. Children ages four (4) through seven (7) who weigh at least forty (40) pounds must be in an appropriate child safety seat or booster seat unless they are eighty (80) pounds or four feet nine inches (4’9”) tall. (Section 307.179, RSMo.)
  - 3. Children ages eight (8) and over or weighing at least eighty (80) pounds or at least four feet nine inches (4’9”) tall are required to be secured by a safety belt or buckled into an appropriate booster seat. (Section 307.179, RSMo.)
  - 4. All passengers, under the age of eighteen (18), must wear an approved Department of Transportation helmet while riding.

5. The vehicle shall not be operated with more passengers than the number for which it was designed.
  6. All occupants shall wear a seat belt.
- J. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted as requiring the City to inspect the vehicle prior to operation to determine compliance with this section.