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NYE COUNTY LAWS REGARDING OPERATING YOUR OHV ON THE HIGHWAY WWW.OHVHELPNCSO.COM

Nevada Law (NRS 490.100) allows a county to pass an ordinance designating any portion of a highway within the County as permissible for the operation of off-highway vehicles for the purpose of allowing off-highway vehicles to reach a private or public area that is open for use by off-highway vehicles.

A person operating an off-highway vehicle on a highway designated for operation of off-highway vehicles pursuant to this NRS may not operate the off-highway vehicle on the highway for any purpose other than to travel to or from the private or public area that is open for use by off-highway vehicles.

The Nye County Board of County Commissioners designates all paved portions of county highways within the unincorporated areas of Nye County for the operation and use of off highway vehicles. (NCC 10.10.070)

State highways (SR 160, 372, 95 etc.) are not designated for OHV use. To cross state highways, you must come to a complete stop before crossing and cross as close as practicable to perpendicular to the direction of travel. (NRS 490.090.2(a) NCC 10.10.080)

"Highway" is the entire width between the boundary lines of every way maintained by a public authority when any part of such way is open to the use of the public for purposes of vehicular traffic. (NCC 10.10.040)

RULES OF THE ROAD

The operator of an OHV being ridden on a paved highway shall comply with all applicable traffic laws of Nye County and the State of Nevada (NCC 10.10.110).

Riders of an OHV must hold a valid driver's license and follow all traffic laws (NRS 490.110.1).

If a rider is under the age of sixteen (16) they shall be under the direct visual supervision of a person who is at least eighteen (18) years of age with a valid driver's license (NRS 490.100.3, NCC 10.10.120).

Must comply with all traffic laws of this State, including wear a helmet & OHV registration (NRS 490.130).

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT

When operating an OHV on a highway the following required equipment is mandatory.

- At least one headlamp that illuminates objects at least 500 feet ahead of the vehicle except during daylight hours.
- At least one tail lamp that is visible from at least 500 feet behind the vehicle except during daylight hours.
- At least one red reflector on the rear of the vehicle, unless the tail lamp is red and reflective. stop lamp on the rear of the vehicle;
- A muffler which is in working order and which is in constant operation when the vehicle is running.
- Spark Arrestors are required when riding on federal public land. (CFR 8343.1(c).

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NYE COUNTY LAWS REGARDING OPERATING YOUR LARGE ATV ON THE HIGHWAY

NRS 490.043 "Large all-terrain vehicle" defined. "Large all-terrain vehicle" means any all-terrain vehicle that includes seating capacity for at least two people abreast and:

- 1. Total seating capacity for at least four people; or
- 2. A truck bed.

If you own a Large all-terrain vehicle as defined above, you can apply for an alternative registration with the DMV. You will need to obtain and meet insurance requirements of a regular vehicle. When registered as a large all-terrain vehicle and you have appropriate insurance the large all-terrain vehicle may be operated on all general county road unless prohibited by the County. In Nye County all paved portions of county highways within the unincorporated areas of Nye County have been designated for the operation and use of off highway vehicles.

If you register your large all-terrain vehicle as an OHV and not a large all-terrain vehicle that you may only operate on the highway for the purpose of travel to or from the private or public area that is open for use by off-highway vehicle. If you have registered it as a large all-terrain vehicle, have the appropriate equipment and have the appropriate insurance, you may operate it on the highway for any purpose.