

# ATV Safety Alert

The Consumer Product Safety Commission has concluded that ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES (ATVs) may present a risk of DEATH or SEVERE INJURY in certain circumstances. Accidents may occur for many reasons:

- Over 3,511 people, including many children, have died in accidents associated with ATVs since 2003.\*
  - Many people have become severely paralyzed or suffered severe internal injuries as a result of accidents associated with ATVs.
  - Every month thousands of people are treated in hospital emergency rooms for injuries received while riding an ATV.
- You should be aware that AN ATV IS NOT A TOY AND CAN BE HAZARDOUS TO OPERATE. An ATV handles differently from other vehicles, including motorcycles and cars. A collision or rollover can occur quickly, even during routine maneuvers such as turning and driving on hills and over obstacles, if you fail to take proper precautions.
- TO AVOID DEATH OR SEVERE PERSONAL INJURY:**
- ALWAYS READ THE OWNER'S MANUAL CAREFULLY AND FOLLOW THE OPERATING PROCEDURES DESCRIBED. PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE WARNINGS IN THE MANUAL AND ON ALL LABELS.
  - NEVER OPERATE AN ATV WITHOUT PROPER INSTRUCTION. TAKE A TRAINING COURSE. BEGINNERS SHOULD COMPLETE THE TRAINING COURSE DESCRIBED BELOW.

ALWAYS FOLLOW THE MANUFACTURER'S MINIMUM AGE RECOMMENDATION WARNING LABEL ON THE ATV.

<p><b>WARNING</b></p> <p><b>UNDER 6</b></p> <p>Operation of this ATV by children under the age of 6 increases the risk of severe injury or death.</p> <p>Adult supervision required for children under age 6.</p> <p>NEVER permit children under age 6 to operate this ATV.</p>	<p><b>WARNING</b></p> <p><b>UNDER 10</b></p> <p>Operation of this ATV by children under the age of 10 increases the risk of severe injury or death.</p> <p>Adult supervision required for children under age 10.</p> <p>NEVER permit children under age 10 to operate this ATV.</p>	<p><b>WARNING</b></p> <p><b>UNDER 12</b></p> <p>Operation of this ATV by children under the age of 12 increases the risk of severe injury or death.</p> <p>Adult supervision required for children under age 12.</p> <p>NEVER permit children under age 12 to operate this ATV.</p>
<p><b>WARNING</b></p> <p><b>UNDER 14</b></p> <p>Operation of this ATV by children under the age of 14 increases the risk of severe injury or death.</p> <p>Adult supervision required for children under age 14.</p> <p>NEVER permit children under age 14 to operate this ATV.</p>	<p><b>WARNING</b></p> <p><b>UNDER 16</b></p> <p>Operating this ATV if you are under the age of 16 increases your chance of severe injury or death.</p> <p>NEVER operate this ATV if you are under age 16.</p>	<p><b>WARNING</b></p> <p><b>OPERATOR UNDER 16</b></p> <p>Operating this ATV if you are under the age of 16 increases the chance of severe injury or death.</p> <p>NEVER operate the vehicle if you are under age 16.</p>

- NEVER ALLOW A CHILD UNDER 16 YEARS OLD TO OPERATE AN ATV WITHOUT ADULT SUPERVISION. CHILDREN NEED TO BE OBSERVED CAREFULLY BECAUSE NOT ALL CHILDREN HAVE THE STRENGTH, SIZE, SKILLS OR JUDGMENT NEEDED TO OPERATE AN ATV SAFELY.
- NEVER CARRY A PASSENGER ON A SINGLE-RIDER ATV. CARRYING A PASSENGER MAY UPSET THE BALANCE OF THE ATV AND MAY CAUSE IT TO GO OUT OF CONTROL.
- ALWAYS AVOID PAVED SURFACES. ATVS ARE NOT DESIGNED TO BE USED ON PAVED SURFACES AND PAVEMENT MAY SERIOUSLY AFFECT HANDLING AND CONTROL.
- NEVER OPERATE AN ATV ON A PUBLIC ROAD, EVEN A DIRT OR GRAVEL ONE, BECAUSE YOU MAY NOT BE ABLE TO AVOID COLLIDING WITH OTHER VEHICLES. ALSO, OPERATING AN ATV ON A PUBLIC ROAD MAY BE AGAINST THE LAW.
- NEVER OPERATE AN ATV WITHOUT AN APPROVED MOTORCYCLE HELMET, EYE PROTECTION, BOOTS, GLOVES, LONG PANTS AND A LONG-SLEEVED SHIRT OR JACKET.
- NEVER CONSUME ALCOHOL OR DRUGS BEFORE OR WHILE OPERATING AN ATV.
- NEVER OPERATE AN ATV AT EXCESSIVE SPEEDS. GO AT A SPEED, WHICH IS PROPER FOR THE TERRAIN, VISIBILITY CONDITIONS AND YOUR EXPERIENCE.
- NEVER ATTEMPT TO DO WHEELIES, JUMPS OR OTHER STUNTS.
- ALWAYS BE CAREFUL WHEN OPERATING AN ATV, ESPECIALLY WHEN APPROACHING HILLS, TURNS AND OBSTACLES AND WHEN OPERATING ON UNFAMILIAR OR ROUGH TERRAIN.
- NEVER LEND YOUR ATV TO ANYONE WHO HAS NOT TAKEN A TRAINING COURSE OR HAS NOT BEEN DRIVING AN ATV FOR AT LEAST A YEAR.

### Training Course

Anyone who purchased a new ATV after December 30, 1986, and everyone in the purchaser's immediate family who is within the recommended age group for the ATV purchased, is entitled to take a training course at no additional charge. Others can take the training course for a small fee. Ask an authorized dealer for the details or call (800) 887-2887 for training information.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ATV SAFETY, CALL THE CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION AT (800) 638-2772 OR THE ATV DISTRIBUTORS' SAFETY HOTLINE AT (800) 852-5344.

\* As of the October 15, 2006 CPSC Annual Report of Deaths and Injuries



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## Join a Better Class of Riders...

Once training is completed, you may be eligible for an incentive. Business purchasers are not eligible for incentives

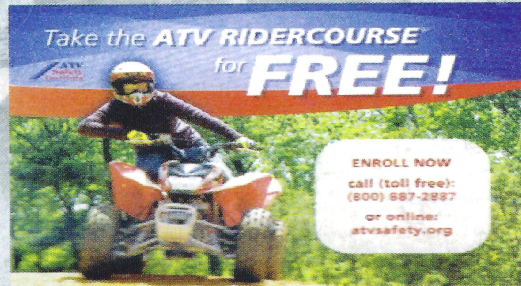
The manufacturer of your ATV thinks approved training is so important that they sponsor the ATV RiderCourse™ and offer it to you absolutely free!

To enroll NOW in a class near you, visit:

[www.atvsafety.org](http://www.atvsafety.org)

or call toll-free 1.800.887.2887

Take Pride in America-Find out how you can volunteer to promote the image of responsible recreationalists. You can help to protect our public parks, recreation areas and cultural resources in your areas. If you want to help, contact American for Responsible Recreational Access (ARRA) at [www.arra-access.com/arra/join](http://www.arra-access.com/arra/join)



### About ASI

The All-Terrain Vehicle Safety Institute (ASI), a non-profit driven division of the Specialty Vehicle Institute of America® (SVIA) was licensed in 1998 to implement an expanded recreational program of all-terrain vehicle (ATV) safety education and awareness. ASI's primary goal is to promote the safe and responsible use of ATVs thereby reducing accidents and injuries that may result from improper ATV operation by the rider.



## Take a FREE ATV Rider Course

Anyone who purchased a new ATV after December 30, 1986, and everyone in the purchaser's immediate family who is within the recommended age group for the ATV purchased, is entitled to take a training course at no additional charge. Others can take the training course for a small fee. Please call (844) 250-2199 for training information.

The course includes hands-on training, and riders rules training.

- Please bring your own helmet, goggles, gloves, and wear long sleeves, long pants, and over the ankle boots during the training course.
- NEVER permit children under age of 6 to operate this ATV.

## WARNING

Improper ATV use can result in SEVERE INJURY or DEATH.



ALWAYS USE AN APPROVED HELMET AND PROTECTIVE GEAR



NEVER USE ON PUBLIC ROADS



NEVER CARRY PASSENGERS



NEVER USE WITH DRUGS OR ALCOHOL

### NEVER operate:

- \*Without proper training or instruction.
- \*At speeds too fast for your skills or the conditions.
- \*On public roads-a collision can occur with another vehicle.
- \*With a passenger-passengers affect balance and steering and increase risk of losing control.

### ALWAYS:

- \*Use proper riding techniques to avoid vehicle overturns on hills and rough terrain and in turns.
- \*Avoid paved surfaces-pavement may seriously affect handling and control.

LOCATE AND READ OWNER'S MANUAL. FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS AND WARNINGS