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# Title V: LAKE CARROLL RULES AND REGULATIONS

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## **§ 53.02 ROADWAY USEAGE – ATV/UTV/GOLF CARTS.**

### (A) DEFINITIONS.

**ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE** or **ATV** designates a non-licensable four (4)-wheeled motorized vehicle designed and manufactured for travel off-road and on all terrains. Utility Task Vehicle OR UTV falls under this definition.

**GOLF CART.** Means a vehicle specifically designed and intended for the purposes of transporting one (1) or more persons and their golf clubs.

**LICENSED VEHICLE.** Any motor vehicle that is currently registered and licensed through the Illinois Office of the Secretary of State or a recognized agency of any other state.

**MOTOR VEHICLE.** Every vehicle that is self-propelled, except those vehicles moved solely by human power and motorized wheel chairs.

**RIGHT-OF-WAY.** The right of one (1) vehicle or pedestrian to proceed in preference to another vehicle or pedestrian under such circumstances as to give rise to danger of collision unless one grants precedence to another.

**ROADWAY.** Those roads that are improved, designed or ordinarily used for vehicular travel.

### (B) REGULATIONS.

(1) The rules of ATV/UTV/Golf Cart operation on Lake Carroll roadways shall be governed by vehicle statutes of the State of Illinois, as set forth in the Illinois Compiled Statutes 625 ILCS Act 5, Chapters I and II which include:

(a) Speed limit within Lake Carroll is 30 miles per hour, unless otherwise posted.

(b) Roadway signage

(c) Direction of traffic

(2) Drivers must have a valid driver's license.

(3) Travel on roadways limited from 6:00am to 10:00pm.

(4) Safety Flags.

(a) Vehicles shall be equipped with a flag that projects to a minimum of seven (7) feet above the ground surface.

(b) Safety flag color must be red or orange.

(5) Only vehicles equipped with headlights and taillights may be used after sunset.

(6) Vehicles must have a side or rearview mirror.

(7) Vehicles equipped with seat belts must be worn.

(8) No guests shall be allowed to drive on roadways.

(9) All vehicles while driving on Lake Carroll roadways must yield/stop when encountering Lake Carroll Security vehicles while flashing yellow lights are engaged.

(10) Exceptions. Roadway use is prohibited by ATV/UTV/Golf Carts on the following weekends/days; exact dates will be announced yearly prior to the holidays/day:

- (a) Memorial Day
- (b) Independence Day
- (c) Labor Day
- (d) Annual Community Garage Sale

**(C) REGULATIONS SPECIFIC TO ATV/UTV:** In addition to (A) above -

(1) Helmet Requirement

(a) All operators and passengers on ATVs are required to wear proper Department of Transportation, DOT, approved helmets and eye protection.

(b) Operators of UTVs and Golf Carts are not required to wear helmets for roadway use.

(c) LCA recommends that children 13 years of age and under wear helmets at all times.

(2) The manufacturer's suggested number of persons per vehicle shall be followed within Lake Carroll.

(3) Aftermarket seating modifications are not allowed.

(4) All vehicles must be in safe operating condition.

(5) No person shall operate their vehicle in a reckless manner or at a rate of speed too fast for conditions or as may be posted.

**(D) REGULATIONS SPECIFIC TO GOLF CARTS:** In addition to (A) above -

(1) Golf carts must yield right of way to licensed vehicles.

(2) Limit of two (2) persons per golf cart unless it has been modified to include a rear seat, then maximum persons per golf cart shall be five (5).

**(E) REGISTRATION**

(1) Members in good standing shall submit an application for registering ATVs to the Association Office by completing a current information sheet available from the Office.

(2) Provide proof of ownership upon registration each year. Acceptable forms of ownership shall be State registration, title, or insurance.

(3) Provide the Association with a certificate of insurance showing proof of liability coverage with a minimum limit of \$500,000 on each ATV, UTV, and golf cart which you intend to use on Lake Carroll roadways.

(4) Upon approval of the application for registration, the Association office shall register the vehicle and issue a numbered tag to be displayed on the vehicle at all times in the prescribed manner.

(5) Vehicles must display section and lot numbers with a minimum of 2" in height in a location that is easily visible.

(6) A limit of four (4) all-terrain vehicles may be registered per lot. (including trail and/or roadway use)

(7) Drivers of ATVs/UTVs on the LCA Trail must successfully pass and carry proof of completion of the LCA ATV/UTV Quiz. This applies to LCA Members and their Guests. Quiz available at [www.golakecarroll.com](http://www.golakecarroll.com).

## **§ 53.03 ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES – TRAIL.**

### (A) DEFINITIONS.

**ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE** or **ATV**. designates a non-licensable two (2), three (3), four (4) or more-wheeled motorized vehicle designed and manufactured for travel off-road and on all terrains. Utility Task Vehicle OR UTV falls under this definition.

**MEMBER DESIGNEE**. A person appointed by a Member in good standing.

**OPERATE**. To ride in or on, other than as a passenger, use or control the operation of the vehicle, whether or not the vehicle is underway.

**OPERATOR**. Every person who operates or is in actual physical or constructive control of the vehicle.

**RECKLESS**. Failure to exercise the degree of care necessary to prevent the endangering of life, limb, or property of any person. It can be the result of operator ignorance, inattention, indifference, or carelessness.

**ROADWAY**. See definition in § 53.01(A).

**TRAIL ACCESS POINT** and **DESIGNATED TRAIL**. The trail and access points designated by the Lake Carroll Board of Directors for recreational use by all-terrain vehicles.

### (B) REGULATIONS.

(1) The rules of ATV operation within Lake Carroll shall be governed by vehicle statutes of the State of Illinois, as set forth in the Illinois Compiled Statutes 625 ILCS Act 5, Chapters 1 and 11.

(2) All operators and passengers are required to wear proper Department of Transportation, DOT, approved helmets and eye protection.

(3) Safety Flags.

(a) All-terrain vehicles shall be equipped with a flag that projects to a minimum of seven (7) feet above the ground surface.

(b) Safety flag color must be red or orange.

(Change BOD Approved 10-18-2013; Effective 1-1-2014)

(4) Speed limit on the trail system is 30 miles per hour, unless otherwise posted.

(5) Traversing private lots is prohibited other than the property owner's individual lot(s) or written permission from owner of lot to be traversed.

(6) Drivers of ATVs/UTVs on the LCA Trail must successfully pass and carry proof of completion of the LCA ATV/UTV Quiz. This applies to LCA Members and their Guests. Quiz available at [www.golakecarroll.com](http://www.golakecarroll.com).

(7) All ATVs/UTVs must have original manufactured seating. No aftermarket seating may be installed. This includes new and used ATVs/UTVs.

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### (C) REGISTRATION.

(1) Members in good standing shall submit an application for registering ATVs to the Association Office by completing a current information sheet available from the Office.

(2) All-terrain vehicle owners shall:

(a) Provide proof of ownership upon registration each year. Acceptable forms of ownership shall be State registration, title, or insurance.

(b) Provide the Association with a certificate of liability insurance or other proof of coverage for a minimum value of \$500,000 on each ATV naming the Lake Carroll Association as an additional insured. Insurance must be in the Member's name.

(c) Members must sign-off on all current ATV rules and acknowledge responsibility for their guests upon yearly registration prior to decal issuance.

(3) Upon approval of the application for registration, the Association office shall register the vehicle and issue a numbered tag to be displayed on the vehicle at all times in the prescribed manner.

(4) Effective April 1, 2002 there will be a limit of four (4) all-terrain vehicles per lot. Exception: Vehicles registered prior to 4-1-2002 and continually registered at Lake Carroll.

(5) Effective April 1, 2002 only non-licensable four (4)-wheeled, self-propelled vehicles primarily designed and manufactured for travel off road and on all terrains will be registered and used on designated trails. Golf carts, amphibious vehicles and two (2)- and three (3)-wheeled motorized vehicles are not permitted on the trails. Exception: two (2)-wheel and three (3)-wheel non-licensable vehicles registered prior 4-1-2002 and continually registered at Lake Carroll.

(6) Effective January 1, 2014 All Terrain Vehicles registered for use on the trail system shall not exceed overall width of 64 inches. The maximum overall width will be determined by either the body structure or the tires, whichever is wider.

(Change BOD Approved 10-18-2013; Effective 1-1-2014)

(D) SAFETY.

(1) The manufacturer's suggested number of persons per vehicle shall be followed within Lake Carroll.

(2) All vehicles must be in safe operating condition.

(3) No person shall operate their vehicle in a reckless manner or at a rate of speed too fast for conditions or as may be posted.

(4) Vehicles will travel in a single file on the right side of the Lake Carroll trail paying particular attention to oncoming traffic.

(5) All vehicles shall stay on the designated trail.

(6) All trail vehicles shall cross Lake Carroll roadways where the designated trail is clearly marked. At those designated trail crossings, all trail vehicles are required to stop and yield to all oncoming roadway traffic.

(7) It is recommended that trail users adopt the buddy system and refrain from traveling the designated trail alone.

(8) Vehicle operators should recognize that they are using the trails at their own risk and that there are inherent hazards in off-road surface and subsurface conditions, the presence of natural hazards such as deer, coyotes and small animals, the potential for operators to act in a negligent manner or not within their ability, and the use of the trails by others including equestrians.

(9) All licensed vehicles shall be prohibited from using the trail system at any time, except LCA maintenance and security staff and vehicles in the performance of their duties.

(10) Use of the frozen lake surface is not prohibited; however, the Association does not, nor will it, encourage or sanction such use. Use of the frozen lake surface is at the operator's own risk.

(E) TRAIL ACCESS POINTS.

(1) Access to the trail may be made directly from those properties adjacent to the trail or where the ATV travels on greenway or common area only to access the trail. At no time shall vehicles cross other private properties to access common areas or the trail.

(2) If a person does not have direct access to the trails from their property, they may use the roads observing "rules of the road" to get to the nearest access point to the trails; and providing further, the operator qualifies according to division (G)(1) below.

(3) Access to the trail system also may be gained from the following locations:

- (a) North end of dam - boat parking area.
- (b) Conference Center - parking area.
- (c) Northwest section - Lodge parking area.

(4) The West Marina, a restricted area, may be accessed from trail access point "H" only. Access to the trails or Clubhouse may be made in the restricted area from trail access point "E" to the Clubhouse. No ATVs shall be allowed on the Golf Course. This allows the ATVs to obtain gas at the West Marina and further allows for ATVs to travel in the reserve area along Lake Carroll Blvd. From access point "E," just North of the guard shack to the Clubhouse

(F) SEASONS AND HOURS OF USE.

(1) ATVs are allowed on the designated trails from March 1 through October 31, trail conditions permitting, or as determined by LCA Management or as specifically posted at the trail access points.

(2) ATVs are permitted on the trails between sunrise and sunset.

(G) AGE OF OPERATOR.

(1) The minimum age for unsupervised operation of any all-terrain vehicle is a person 16 years old who has a valid driver's license.

(2) Persons under 16 years old may operate an all-terrain vehicle on the designated trails if accompanied and under the direct supervision of a parent or guardian or a person at least 18 years old who has been designated by a parent or guardian.

(3) Persons under 16 years old who are guests of a property owner or his or her family may operate an all-terrain vehicle on the designated trails if accompanied and under the direct supervision of a property owner or a person at least 18 years old who has been designated by a parent or guardian.

(4) It is expected that the manufacturer's suggested age for operation of a specific vehicle will be followed when using the designated trail.

(H) GUESTS USE OF LAKE CARROLL TRAILS: Guests of Lake Carroll Members and their family members may use the designated trails when all of the following conditions are met:

- (1) Must be a member designee.
- (2) Operating or being a passenger on an ATV owned and registered to a Member in good standing.

(3) Following all other rules and regulations including safety equipment and safe behaviors, seasons and hours of use, and age of operator.

(I) INFRACTIONS, FINES AND PENALTIES: (See § 50.22(B)(2), (B)(3) and (C)(1) and (C)(3) and/or reference the Security Fine Table - § 50.24.) (R&R, Ch. I, § B) (As amended 4-23-2005; previously 2-23-2002)