

**Town of Wascott
Douglas County, Wisconsin**

**Ordinance 2012-10
All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV)/Utility Terrain Vehicle (UTV)
Route Ordinance**

The Town Board of the Town of Wascott, Douglas County, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows:

PART I. Ordinance 2000-01, 2010-03, 2010-05, 2012-09, and all amendments thereto, are hereby repealed.

PART II. Ordinance 2012-10 is hereby created to read as follows:

Section 1. Title and Purpose.

The title of this ordinance is the Town of Wascott All-Terrain Vehicle/Utility Terrain Vehicle (ATV/UTV) Route Ordinance. The purpose of this ordinance is to establish all-terrain vehicle/utility terrain vehicle routes in the town and to regulate the operation of all-terrain vehicles/utility terrain vehicles in the town.

Section 2. Authority.

The Town Board of the Town of Wascott, Douglas County, Wisconsin, has the specific authority to adopt this ATV/UTV Route Ordinance under § 23.33 (8) (b) and (11), Wis. Stats. See attached Addendum 1 PDF Wisconsin UTV laws and certain ATV law changes.

Section 3. Definitions.

In this ordinance the following words and phrases have the designated meanings unless a different meaning is expressly provided or the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

“All-terrain vehicle” or *“ATV”* has the meaning specified under § 340.01 (2g), Wis. Stats.

“Utility-terrain vehicle” or *“UTV”* as defined in addendum 1.

“All-terrain vehicle route” means a town road designated by the town board for use by ATV/UTV operators.

“Town road” or *“road”* means any road or highway under the town’s jurisdiction, exclusive of the gravel shoulders, grassy slope, ditches, or other highway right-of-way outside the area intended for vehicular use.

Section 4. Adoption of Ordinance.

This ordinance adopted on proper notice with a quorum and roll call vote by a majority of the town board present and voting, provides the authority for the town to designate ATV/UTV routes in the town and to regulate the use of those routes and ATV/UTV vehicles in the town.

Section 5. Operation of ATV/UTV.

A. Operation shall be subject to all provisions of § 23.33, Wis. Stats., which is adopted as a part of this ordinance by reference, pursuant to § 23.33 (11), Wis. Stats and Wisconsin UTV laws, effective 7-1-12 (see addendum).

B. No person may operate an ATV/UTV on any town road except on town roads that are designated as ATV/UTV routes by this ordinance. No person may operate an ATV/UTV on the gravel shoulders, grassy slope, ditches, or other highway right-of-way outside the area intended for vehicular use.

C. Operation of an ATV/UTV on a town road that is an ATV/UTV route is authorized only for the extreme right side of the road except that left turns may be made from any part of the road that is safe given prevailing conditions.

- D. All ATV/UTV operators shall ride single file.
- E. Headlights and tail lights of the ATV/UTV shall be turned on at all times.
- F. All ATV/UTV operators shall observe posted route speed limits.
- G. The speed limit for operation of an ATV/UTV on a designated town road shall be 25 miles per hour, except as otherwise provided in this section.
- H. All ATV/UTV operators shall slow the vehicle to 10 mph or less when operating within 150 feet of a dwelling.
- I. All ATV/UTV operators shall slow the vehicle to a speed not to exceed 10 miles per hour and yield the right-of-way when traveling within 100 feet of a person who is not on an ATV/UTV vehicle, a snowmobile or a motorcycle, except as provided under ch. 346, Wis. Stats., where applicable.
- J. Operation of an ATV/UTV on a designated ATV/UTV route while under the influence of an intoxicant or a restricted controlled substance is prohibited.
- K. Any person under 18 years of age operating an ATV/UTV on a designated route shall wear protective headgear with the chin strap properly fastened, except as otherwise exempted by § 23.33 (3g), Wis. Stats.
- L. All persons under 16 years of age are required to have safety certificates.

Section 6. Designation of ATV/UTV Routes.

The following town roads are designated ATV/UTV routes in the town:

Town Road/Route	Segment
Crotte Brook Trail	Full length
South Mail Road	From Fire Hill Road to County Forest Trail 41
Sunset Drive	From CTH T to County Forest Trail 41
Norris Road	Full length
Lois Lane	Full length
Crystal Lake Road	From CTH T to Cranberry Lake Road
Ball Park Road	Full length
Whatever Road	Full length
Chipmunk Hollow Road	From CTH T to Badger Lane
Kennedy Road	Full length
Boughner Road	Full length
Viewpoint Lodge Road	Full length
Kimball Lake Road	From Little Sand Road to County Forest Trail 3
Two Mile Road	From Little Sand Road to County Forest Trail 3
Cranberry Lake Road	From Crystal Lake Road to Bass Lake Road
Bass Lake Road	From Cranberry lake Road to Cemetery Road
Gram Road	Full length
Lakewood Drive	Full length
Apple Lake Road	From CTH T to Bass Lake Road
Smith Bridge Road	From CTH T to East Flowage Road
East Flowage Road	From Eagle Point Road to Smith Bridge Road
Cemetery Road	From Bass Lake Road to Leader Lake Road
Blue Ribbon Trail	Full length
Bergen Spring Road	From Blue Ribbon Trail to Cemetery Road
Leader Lake Road	From Cemetery Road to Antler Inn Road
Antler Inn Road	Full length
Mosinee Spur Road	From Wild River Trail to Claire Lawler Road
Claire Lawler Road	From Mosinee Spur Road to CTH G
Red Lake Drive	From State Highway 53 to Blackburn Road

Blackburn Road	From Red lake Drive to Cheever Road
East Mail Road	From CTH G to Denver Road
Crooked Lake Road	From CTH G to Balcsik Road
Williams Drive	From Lawler Bridge Road to Lidberg Bridge Road
McCumber Road	From CTH Y to East Mail Road
Balcsik Road	Full length
South Copper Mine road	Full length
Horseshoe Road	Full length
East Copper Mine Road	Full length
Copper Mine Road	Full length
Copper Mine Loop	Full length
Jack Pine Loop	Full length
Cheever Road	From CTH G to South Copper Mine Road
South Mail Road	From north intersection with Person Loop then south to CTH T
Kimball Lake Road	From CTH T south to intersection with Trail 3
Short Cut Road	To new Fire Brake Trail
Pine Oaks Road	From blacktop to Sunset Drive
East Sunset Road	From Pine Oaks to South Mail Road
South Mail Road	From Lawler Loop to Lost Lake Road
Lost Lake Road	From South Mail Road to Crystal Lake Road
Burns Road	From Totogatic Road to Red Lake Road
Chipmunk Hollow Road	From Whippoorwill Lane to Chipmunk Hollow Road

Section 7. Conditions Applicable to Signage of ATV/UTV Routes.

A. Routes shall be marked with uniform ATV/UTV route signs in accordance with § NR 64.12 (7), Wisconsin Administrative Code.

B. An ATV/UTV route sign with directional arrow, where appropriate, shall be placed at the beginning of an ATV/UTV route and at such locations and intervals as necessary to enable ATV/UTV operators to follow the route and comply with speed limits.

C. No person may intentionally remove, damage, deface, move, or obstruct any uniform ATV/UTV route or trail sign or standard or intentionally interfere with the effective operation of any uniform ATV/UTV route or trail sign or standards if the sign or standard is legally placed by the state, any municipality, or any authorized individual.

D. No person may possess any uniform ATV/UTV route or trail sign or standard of the type established by the department for the warning, instruction, or information of the public, unless he or she obtained the uniform ATV/UTV route or trail sign or standard in a lawful manner. Possession of a uniform ATV/UTV route or trail sign or standard creates a rebuttable presumption of illegal possession.

E. All ATV/UTV route signing shall be done by or under the direction of and is the responsibility of the Town Board.

Section 8. Enforcement.

A. This ordinance may be enforced by any law enforcement officer or other officer as specified under § 23.33 (12), Wis. Stats.

B. A copy of this ordinance shall be sent by the town clerk to the Douglas County Sheriff's Department and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

Section 9. Penalties.

The penalties under § 23.33 (13), Wis. Stats., are adopted by reference and 7-1-12 law changes.

Section 10. Severability.

If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are severable.

Section 11. Effective Date.

This ordinance is effective on publication or posting. The town clerk shall properly publish this ordinance as required under Wisc. Stat. 60.80.

Adopted this 4th day of December, 2012.

By the Town Board:

Greg Jensen - Town Chairman

Doug Hanson - Town Supervisor

Mike Stupak – Town Supervisor

Lynn Koalska – Town Supervisor

Doug Bush – Town Supervisor

Attest: Jeannette Atkinson – Clerk/Treasurer

