

TOWN OF LUNENBURG ORDINANCE REGULATING ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES

Section I AUTHORITY

Under authority granted in 24 V.S.A. Chapter 59, 24 V.S.A. 3210 and 3510, the Select Board of the Town of Lunenburg hereby adopts the following ordinance regulating the manner and location of operation of all-terrain vehicles within the town

Section II PURPOSE.

The purpose of this ordinance is to protect the health and safety of the operators of all-terrain vehicles, and of the residents of the Town to protect the animals, property and environment of the Town.

Section III DEFINITIONS

All-terrain Vehicle, or ATV-Any non-highway recreational vehicle, with at least four rubber tires, excluding snowmobiles and dirt bikes, when used for cross-country travel on trails or on any one of following or a combination thereof: water, snow, ice, marsh, swampland and natural terrain. Operate-Shall include any attempt to operate and shall be construed to cover all matters and things connected with the presence and use of all-terrain vehicle whether they are in motion or at rest.

Section IV OPERATION

- A. All ATV's must be registered and operated according to the requirements of 23 V.S.A. Chapter 29 (1) and Chapter 31
- B. All ATV's operated in Lunenburg must carry liability insurance.
- C. Persons operating ATV's must be at least 16 years of age or accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.
- D. All-terrain vehicles may be operated on the following Highways:

Class IV roads, unless posted otherwise

Class III roads, unless posted otherwise

Class II roads, unless posted otherwise

- E. Speed limits for ATV's while operating on town highways will be a maximum of 25 MPH and all ATV's must be in single file, follow all traffic rules and control devices that apply to the Town Highway.
- F. A valid VASA plate must be properly attached to all ATV's.
- G. Application may be made to the Select Board for exceptions based on Agricultural uses or other special circumstances.

Section V PENALTIES

Each Offence.....\$150

Section VI ENFORCEMENT

This is a civil ordinance and shall be enforced by law enforcement officials through the Judicial Bureau.

Section VII SEVERABILITY

If any section of this ordinance is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such finding shall not affect any other part of this ordinance.

Section VIII EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall become effective immediately after its adoption by the Select Board. If a petition is filed under 24 V.S.A 1973, the statute shall govern the taking effect of this ordinance

Adopted on this 5th day of January 2026 by the Lunenburg Select Board