ATV/UTV Ordinance 61.140

Information Sheet

The intention of this ordinance is to prohibit the use of All-Terrain Vehicles, Off-Road Utility Vehicles, Golf Carts, and Snowmobiles as a primary means of transportation within City limits. It applies to City streets, rights-of-way, and other public property.

ATVs, UTVs and Golf Carts may be operated under the following circumstances:

- On job sites by contractors for the movement of materials and equipment.
- For land surveying by licensed engineer or surveyor.
- By a licensed business for the purposes of landscaping, maintenance, and snow removal operations.
  - Vehicles need to be trailered to the location where work is contracted. (If multiple locations are contracted and near one another, a block or two, ATV/UTV may be operated in the short distance between locations)
- Permitted Special Events within the footprint of the event. (Parades, Festivals, Concerts, etc.)
- By a governmental entity, a political subdivision, a political subdivision instrumentality, an employee or agent of a political subdivision of the State of Iowa or a public utility in the course of their employment duties.
- The operation by an employee or agent of a public agency for the purpose of providing emergency services or rescue.
- By private parties for the purpose of snow removal on their sidewalk and driveway apron.

Snowmobiles can be operated under the following conditions:

- In accordance with Iowa State Code 321G.9.4.a:
  - Upon city highways which have not been plowed during the snow season or on such highways as designated by the governing body of a municipality.

Fines:

If found in violation of the ordinance the offender will be issued a citation with a scheduled fine. Below are the scheduled fines:

Code Section	Offense: Unauthorized operation of:	Scheduled Fine	15% Surcharge	Total (Fine + Surcharge + Court Costs)	Unsecured Bond
61.140a	ATV/UTV	70.00	10.50	135.50	175.75
61.140b	Golf Cart	135.00	20.25	210.25	287.88
61.140c	Snowmobile	70.00	10.50	135.50	175.75