

ORDINANCE NO. ATV/UTV-06-09-2025-1
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWN OF LA VALLE

ATV / UTV ORDINANCE FOR
UNIFORMITY OF LOCAL ATV ORDINANCES IN SAUK COUNTY

Purpose: This proposal seeks to establish uniformity of all Local UTV/ATV Ordinances in Sauk County to eliminate confusion among UTV/ATV users and law enforcement. Currently, there are 38 separate ordinances designating UTV/ATV routes within Sauk County, each with its own set of restrictions regarding operating hours and speed limits. These inconsistencies create enforcement challenges and confusion for ATV operators.

Current Variability in UTV/ATV Regulations:

- Operating hours for UTV/ATVs vary across seven different time restrictions.
- Speed limits for UTV/ATVs reflect four different regulatory standards.
- Seasonal restrictions exist in only two jurisdictions, further complicating uniform enforcement.

Suggested Standardization: To simplify and unify UTV/ATV regulations throughout Sauk County, this proposal recommends adopting a countywide standard for UTV/ATV routes, operating hours, and speed limits, as follows:

1. **Uniform Operating Hours:** UTV/ATVs shall be permitted to operate between 6:00 AM and 10:00 PM across all municipalities.
2. **Speed Limit Regulations:** Within villages and cities: UTV/ATVs shall follow the posted speed limits for motor vehicles. Within townships: The UTV/ATV speed limit shall be 45 MPH or the posted speed limit, whichever is lesser.
3. **Year-Round Route Accessibility:** All designated UTV/ATV routes on town roads, city streets, and village streets shall be open year-round. Seasonal restrictions in the Towns shall be eliminated to align with countywide regulations.

Conclusion: This uniformity in local ordinances will create consistency across all UTV/ATV routes in Sauk County, ensuring clarity for UTV/ATV operators and law enforcement while maintaining safety for all road users. Municipalities are encouraged to adopt this proposal to streamline UTV/ATV regulations and improve enforcement efficiency.

This Ordinance Amendment will be effective immediately.

Adopted by the Town of La Valle Town Board on this 06-09-2025.

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Town Chairperson, Ramon Demaskie

Jim Mercier NO

Supervisor Jim Mercier

Heidi Geils YES

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Pat Rego NO

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Karen Lea Geitz YES

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