

# NEW STATE LAWS

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# OHV USE

will take effect

# JAN. 1, 2009

## Here are some important facts that you'll need to know:

- Effective Jan. 1, 2009, you must annually purchase an off-highway vehicle decal ("OHV Decal") for any off-highway vehicle you have that is **designed by the manufacturer primarily for off-highway use AND weighs less than 1,800 pounds**, in order to operate it in Arizona. This includes most all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), side-by-sides (utility vehicles), dirt bikes and some sand rails. The OHV Decal must be affixed to your OHV's license plate.
- The OHV Decal can be purchased after Jan. 1, 2009 at [www.servicearizona.com](http://www.servicearizona.com) or by visiting Arizona Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Division (MVD) offices or authorized third-party providers during normal business hours. The cost of the OHV Decal is still being determined by MVD and is expected to be announced soon.
- The OHV Decal is an annual user fee that will provide funds for better OHV management and protection of natural resources while helping maintain access. It is not the same as "registration." Registration refers to the process that is required if you want to legally ride your off-highway vehicle on improved and maintained roads and streets. For more information, see the registration information in the Frequently Asked Questions at [www.azgfd.gov/ohv](http://www.azgfd.gov/ohv).
- All OHVs must have an Arizona Certificate of Title. If the vehicle is not titled, or if you have an out-of-state title, you will need to visit an MVD office or authorized third-party provider to obtain an Arizona Certificate of Title by July 1, 2009. For more information, see the titling information in the Frequently Asked Questions at [www.azgfd.gov/ohv](http://www.azgfd.gov/ohv).
- Travel is limited to roads, trails and areas open by the land management agency for motorized vehicle use. Travel that causes damage to cultural or natural resources, or property or improvements, is prohibited.
- OHVs must have a muffler or noise dissipative device to limit sound to less than 96 decibels.
- Anyone under the age of 18 will be required to wear a properly fitted and fastened U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) approved helmet when riding any OHV.

For information on the **rules and regulations**, visit Arizona Game and Fish Dept. at [www.azgfd.gov/ohv](http://www.azgfd.gov/ohv).



For more information on the **OHV Decal, titling or registration**, visit MVD at [www.azdot.gov/MVD](http://www.azdot.gov/MVD).



For more information on **where to ride in Arizona**, visit Arizona State Parks at [www.azstateparks.gov/ohv](http://www.azstateparks.gov/ohv).



For more information on **recreating on state land**, visit Arizona State Land Dept. at [www.land.state.az.us](http://www.land.state.az.us).

