

OHRV USEAGE IN SAWYER LAKE DISTRICT

FAQ's -

OHRV's owned by Sawyer Lake Association Members (land owners), may be used **ONLY** on Sawyer Lake Association owned Roadways.

It is **ILLEGAL** to operate OHRV's on roads owned by the Town of Gilmanton, including: Sawyer Lake Road, Wood Drive, Ash Ave, and Hemlock Drive (between Wood Drive and Bear Ave).

Operators and Passengers must follow all New Hampshire OHRV's laws.

If OHRV is legally registered in NH, it may travel straight across (90 degrees) the roads owned by the Town of Gilmanton as stated in NH RSA: 215-A:6-X-(a).

265-A:44 Transporting Alcoholic Beverages. – II. Except as provided in paragraph V, no driver shall transport, carry, possess, or have any liquor or beverage within the passenger area of any motor vehicle or OHRV upon any way in this state except in the original container and with the seal unbroken. Securely capped partially filled containers of liquor or beverages shall be stored and transported in the trunk of the motor vehicle or OHRV. If the motor vehicle or OHRV does not have a trunk, such containers shall be stored and transported in that compartment or area of the vehicle or OHRV which is the least accessible to the driver.

For more information see attached laws, information sheet, and maps.

Violators will be ticketed by NH Fish and Game and/or Gilmanton Police Department.



LICENSE & AGE RESTRICTIONS

The following apply to ALL OPERATORS and PASSENGERS operating on personal, private and/or public property.

SNOWMOBILE				
PERSONAL, PRIVATE AND/OR PUBLIC PROPERTY		PRIVATE AND/OR PUBLIC PROPERTY		
AGE	HELMET & EYE PROTECTION	ACCOMPANIED BY LICENSED ADULT OVER 18	OPERATE ACROSS ROADS	DRIVER'S LICENSE OR SAFETY CERTIFICATE
Under 12	YES	YES	NO	NO
12 or 13	YES	YES	YES	YES
14 or 15	YES	NO	YES	YES
16 or 17	YES	NO	YES	YES
18 and over	NO	NO	YES	YES

WHEELED VEHICLE							
PERSONAL, PRIVATE AND/OR PUBLIC PROPERTY				PRIVATE AND/OR PUBLIC PROPERTY			
AGE	HELMET & EYE PROTECTION	SEAT BELT ON UTV	CARRY PASSENGERS ON ATV	ACCOMPANIED BY LICENSED ADULT OVER 18*	DRIVER'S LICENSE OR SAFETY CERTIFICATE	OPERATE ACROSS ROADS	OPERATE ON DESIGNATED ROADS*
Under 12	YES	YES Child restraint system for under 7	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO
12 or 13	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES*
14 or 15	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES*
16 or 17	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES*
18 and over	NO Eye protection for operator if no windshield	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES*

* To operate on **designated** roads must possess: a valid driver's license OR valid safety certificate and must be **accompanied by an adult at least 25 years of age** who possesses a valid driver's license. Those under the age of 12 cannot operate on roads (restrictions subject to change; see wildnh.com/ohrv for updates).

It is unlawful to operate an OHRV/Snowmobile with a suspended/revoked driver's license in any state or Canadian Province, see page 18.

LICENSE & AGE RESTRICTIONS

OHRV/WHEELED VEHICLE YOUTH OPERATOR REQUIREMENTS

UNDER AGE 12	AGE 12 OR 13	AGE 14 OR 15	AGE 16 OR 17	18 OR OLDER
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> While operating on personal property or other public property and trails must have helmet and eye protection and cannot carry passengers on an ATV or ride along or across any public road. While operating on public property or trails (other than personal property) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Must be accompanied by a licensed adult over 18 years of age at all times. » Cannot operate across or on public roads. May take an OHRV Safety Class but cannot be certified (11 year olds may take class and receive card — becomes valid on 12th birthday). Go to wildnh.com/ohrv for more information. Seat belt required on UTV. Child restraint system required and helmet required for under 7 years of age on UTV. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> While operating on their own personal property or other public property and trails must have helmet and eye protection and cannot carry passengers on an ATV. Must possess an OHRV Safety Certificate if off of personal property. While operating on public property or trails: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Must be accompanied by a licensed adult over 18 years of age at all times. » May cross roads. May operate on approved roads but must be accompanied by a licensed adult over 25 years of age at all times.* Seat belt required on UTV. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> While operating on personal property or other public property and trails must have helmet and eye protection and cannot carry passengers on an ATV. Must possess an OHRV Safety Certificate if off of personal property. While operating on public property or trails: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Not required to be accompanied. » May cross roads. » May operate on approved roads but must be accompanied by a licensed adult over 25 years of age at all times.* Seat belt required on UTV. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> While operating on personal property or other public property and trails must have helmet and eye protection and cannot carry passengers on an ATV. Must possess an OHRV Safety Certificate if off of personal property or must possess a valid motor vehicle driver's license. While operating on public property or trails: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Not required to be accompanied. » May cross roads. If not licensed to drive a motor vehicle, may operate on approved roads but must be accompanied by a licensed adult over 25 years of age at all times.* Seat belt required on UTV. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> While operating on personal property or other public property and trails helmet and eye protection recommended. However, eye protection is required for the operator if no windshield on OHRV. May carry passengers on an ATV. Must possess an OHRV Safety Certificate if off of personal property or must possess a valid motor vehicle driver's license. May cross roads. If not licensed to drive a motor vehicle, may operate on approved roads but must be accompanied by a licensed adult at least 25 years of age at all times.*

* Age of accompanying adult subject to change; see wildnh.com/ohrv for updates.

**DISTRICT COURTS
UNIFORM FINE SCHEDULE
TITLE XVIII (FISH & GAME OFFENSES)**

Effective August 1, 2019

ATTENTION

You have been charged with an offense of the Fish & Game Statutes for which a uniform fine has been established by the Courts, RSA 502-A:19-B. The amount of your fine has been written on the face of the complaint by the Law Enforcement Officer who issued your summons.

STATUTE	OFFENSE	FINE
1.) 206:10	Violation of Fishing Rules.....	\$62.00
2.) 206:10	Illegal Fish Fish (Penalty RSA 211:1a).....	\$124.00 + \$12.40/Fish
3.) 207:3	Unlawful methods of taking.....	\$124.00
4.) 207:3-a	Prohibition.....	\$124.00
5.) 207:3-b	Bow, High Power Rifle Restrictions.....	\$62.00
6.) 207:3-c	Shooting from or across Public Way.....	\$62.00
7.) 207:3-d	Battling Wildlife.....	\$124.00
8.) 207:7	Loaded Firearm in/on Motor Vehicle/OHRV/Boat.....	\$124.00
9.) 207:9	Angling Restrictions.....	\$124.00
10.) 207:10	Prohibited Devices.....	\$62.00
11.) 207:12-a-13	Training of Hunting Dogs (Violations).....	\$124.00
12.) 207:14	Importing/Releasing wildlife without a permit.....	\$124.00
13.) 207:36-b	Littering (Stipulate II hunting or fishing related).....	\$248.00
14.) 207:56	Small Game/Game Bird Rules.....	\$124.00
15.) 208:1-a	Moose Rule Violations.....	\$248.00
16.) 208:2	Deer Rule Violations.....	\$248.00
17.) 208:3, 3a, 3b, 3c & 4	Firearm Restrictions (Deer Hunting).....	\$248.00
18.) 208:5	Bow and Arrow Restrictions.....	\$74.40
19.) 208:5-a	Muzzleloader Restrictions.....	\$74.40
20.) 208:7	Driving Deer.....	\$74.40
21.) 208:8	Illegal use of light.....	\$124.00
22.) 208:9	Illegal Possession of Deer or Moose (Subsequent offense is a misdemeanor).....	\$248.00
23.) 208:12, 13 and 14	Transportation of Deer.....	\$124.00
24.) 208:15d, 15e, 15f, 15g	Deer Registration Requirements.....	\$124.00
25.) 208:16	Use of deer tag.....	\$248.00
26.) 208:22	Black Bear Rules.....	\$248.00
27.) 208:22, II, III, VI	Black Bear Requirements.....	\$248.00
28.) 209:6	Migratory Game Birds.....	\$74.40
29.) 209:6	Migratory Game Birds/Overflight.....	\$124.00
30.) 209:8	Privately Bird Restriction.....	\$124.00
31.) 209:12-a	Wild Turkey.....	\$124.00
32.) 210:2	Recreation Regulations.....	\$124.00
33.) 210:4	Muskrat Hoops/Dens.....	\$62.00
34.) 210:7	Trapping of Beaver and Otter.....	\$62.00
35.) 210:8	Sealing and Sale of skins.....	\$124.00
36.) 210:8-a	Fur Sealing Requirements.....	\$248.00
37.) 210:11	Setting Traps.....	\$124.00
38.) 210:11-a	Restriction on certain Traps.....	\$124.00
39.) 210:12	Visiting Traps.....	\$124.00
40.) 210:13	Time of Setting Traps.....	\$124.00
41.) 210:14	Disturbing Traps.....	\$124.00
42.) 210:17	Snares.....	\$124.00
43.) 210:23	Fur Bearer Rules.....	\$124.00
44.) 206:10	Trout and Salmon Hours.....	\$62.00
45.) 206:10	Trout Water Restrictions.....	\$62.00
46.) 211:5	Connecticut River Fly Fishing.....	\$62.00 + \$12.40/Fish
47.) 206:10 and 211:5	Connecticut River Fly Fishing.....	\$62.00
48.) 206:10	Umbugog Lake Requirements.....	\$74.40
49.) 211:13	Prohibited Devices.....	\$62.00
50.) 211:17-a	Ice Fishing Requirements.....	\$74.40
51.) 211:19-a	Taking Lobsters or Crabs in Rye Harbor.....	\$74.40
52.) 21:23-a	Prohibited Methods of Taking Lobster.....	\$124.00
53.) 21:25	Female Lobster Carrying Spawn.....	\$124.00/lobster
54.) 21:26	Possession of Egg-bearing Female Lobster.....	\$124.00/lobster
55.) 21:27	Possession of Lobsters/Less/Greater than Legal Limit.....	\$62.00/lobster part
56.) 21:30	Possession of Mutilated Lobster.....	\$62.00/lobster part
57.) 21:32	Unmarked Lobster Gear.....	\$62.00
58.) 21:33	Failure to Exhibit Lobster Colors.....	\$62.00
59.) 21:34	Traps on Traxis (no trawl permit).....	\$62.00
60.) 21:39	Retail Dealers License.....	\$62.00
61.) 21:49-a	Non-Resident Commercial Salt Water License.....	\$248.00
62.) 21:49-b	Resident Commercial Salt Water License.....	\$248.00
63.) 21:49-c	Resident Commercial Salt Water License.....	\$248.00
64.) 21:50-c, 64-a, 64-b	Taking Clams, Clamworms or Oysters without a License.....	\$74.40
65.) 21:52	Fireways Closed.....	\$124.00
66.) 21:52	Marking and Tending Gear.....	\$62.00
67.) 21:52	Lobster Trap Construction.....	\$124.00
68.) 21:52	Unmarked Female Lobsters.....	\$124.00/lobster
69.) 21:52	Lobster Trap Tags.....	\$62.00/Trap
70.) 21:52	Albatross River Ferring Regulations.....	\$124.00
71.) 21:52	Salt Water Regulations.....	\$62.00
72.) 21:52	Salt Water Regulations.....	\$62.00
73.) 21:52 II & V	Shipped Bass Regulations.....	\$62.00
74.) 21:52 II & V	Ground Fish Regulations.....	\$124.00
75.) 21:52 II & V	American Eels Restrictions.....	\$62.00
76.) 21:52 II & V	Taking of Oysters.....	\$62.00
77.) 21:52 II & V	Identification of Oyster Containers.....	\$62.00

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83.) 211:62 and 143:2	Taking of Clams/Mollusks.....	\$62.00
84.) 211:62, I & II	Identification of Clam Containers.....	\$62.00
85.) 211:62, I & II	Possession of Clams (Each quart over is a separate violation).....	\$62.00
86.) 211:62	Sea Scallops.....	\$62.00
87.) 211:62	Net Island Coastal Waters without a Permit.....	\$62.00
88.) 214:1	Fish without a License.....	\$62.00
89.) 214:1	Hurt without a License.....	\$188.00
90.) 214:1-b	Trap without a License.....	\$188.00
91.) 214:1-b	License Required (Pheasant Stamp).....	\$74.40
92.) 214:1-c	License Required (Turkey Permit).....	\$74.40
93.) 214:1-d	License Required (State Duck Stamp).....	\$74.40
94.) 214:12	False Statements.....	\$124.00
95.) 214:34	License Required, Batt Dealers.....	\$248.00
96.) 214:34-b	Batt Dealer Equipment Requirements.....	\$124.00
97.) 214:34-c	Permit to Import Batt.....	\$124.00
98.) 214:34-d	Season for taking Batt Fish.....	\$124.00
99.) 214:35	Batt Dealer Rules/Limits.....	\$124.00
100.) 206:10 and 214:35	False Statement, etc.....	\$124.00
101.) 214:37, II	Operate without Lights.....	\$124.00
102.) 214:37, II	OHRV on public way.....	\$124.00
103.) 214:37, II	OHRV with Excessive Speed.....	\$124.00
104.) 215-A:6	* 1-24mph Over Prima Facie Limit.....	\$124.00
105.) 215-A:6	* 25mph and Greater than Prima Facie Limit.....	\$248.00
106.) 215-A:6	* 1-24mph Over Prima Facie Limit.....	\$124.00
107.) 215-A:6, IV	Endanger person/damage property.....	\$248.00
108.) 215-A:6, IV	OHRV on state way, sidewalks or snowbank.....	\$74.40
109.) 215-A:14	Required Equipment.....	\$248.00
110.) 215-A:14, (a-d), II	Muffler/Exhaust system requirements.....	\$248.00
111.) 215-A:21, VI	Operate Unregistered OHRV.....	\$248.00
112.) 215-A:21, VII	Operate without registration decals in place.....	\$62.00
113.) 215-A:21, VIII	Non-Resident register at resident fee.....	\$124.00
114.) 215-A:29, III	Operate without driver's license or safety training.....	\$74.40
115.) 215-A:29, III	Operate on land of another without written landowner permission.....	\$248.00
116.) 215-A:29, XI	No helmet or eye protection under 18 (OHRV).....	\$124.00
117.) 215-A:29, XI	Under 18, carrying passengers.....	\$124.00
118.) 215-A:29, XVII	Operate with suspended/revoked license.....	\$124.00
119.) 215-A:29, XIX (a)	Speed Limit, Back Lake.....	\$95.00
120.) 215-C:4	Skimming.....	\$248.00
121.) 215-C:7	Operate without lights.....	\$74.40
122.) 215-C:8	Snowmobile, unreasonable speed.....	\$248.00
123.) 215-C:8, III	Snowmobile, unreasonably slow.....	\$124.00
124.) 215-C:8, III	* 1-24mph Over Prima Facie Limit.....	\$124.00
125.) 215-C:8, III	* 25mph and Greater than Prima Facie Limit.....	\$248.00
126.) 215-C:8, X	Endanger person/damage property.....	\$124.00
127.) 215-C:10	Operate snowmobile on traveled portion.....	\$124.00
128.) 215-C:10	Snowmobile on state way, sidewalk, or snowbank.....	\$74.40
129.) 215-C:28	Sound level.....	\$248.00
130.) 215-C:30, I	Required Equipment.....	\$248.00
131.) 215-C:30, I	Identification to landowner.....	\$124.00
132.) 215-C:36, I	Operate unregistered snowmobile.....	\$248.00
133.) 215-C:36, V	Operate without registration decals in place.....	\$62.00
134.) 215-C:36, VI	Non-resident register at resident fee.....	\$124.00
135.) 215-C:36, XI	Operate without driver's license or safety training.....	\$74.40
136.) 215-C:36, XI	Operate on land of another without landowner permission.....	\$248.00
137.) 215-C:39, VIII	No helmet or eye protection under 18 (SNOWMOBILE).....	\$124.00
138.) 215-C:43, XIX	Operate with suspended/revoked license.....	\$124.00
139.) 215-C:43, XXI	Operate with suspended/revoked license.....	\$186.00
140.) 215-C:43, XXI	Steer/trailer/ rigid hitch requirements.....	\$74.40

MISCELLANEOUS VIOLATIONS

188.) 239-A:14 and 239-A:3	Boat Access Violations.....	\$62.00
189.) 635:2, IV	Trespass Violation (Misdemeanor use 635:III) Stipulate if hunting or fishing.....	\$124.00
209.) 270:11	Insufficient number of personal flotation devices.....	\$84.32
289.) 270:E-3	Unregistered boat.....	\$68.20

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You have been charged with an offense for which no fine amount is shown on the fine schedule. You must still follow the instructions given on the back of the (pink) summons, but **do not** include any payment when you mail in your summons. If you decide to plead Guilty or No Contest, the Court will notify you of the amount of your fine by mail.

* Fine amounts represent the standard fine and penalty assessment normally imposed by the court. You may also be assessed additional fines or required to pay restitution if your offense involved taking certain wildlife species. Also, the Court may assess a different fine, may reject your plea and may order you to appear in person to answer to the offense charged. Fine is payable directly to the court. If you fail to pay your fine, a warrant for your arrest may be issued and your eligibility to receive licenses issued by the Fish and Game Department shall be suspended. (RSA 214:21 & RSA 214:19). If you fail to answer this summons, a misdemeanor complaint and arrest warrant will be issued for you.

215-A:6 Operation of All OHRVs. –

I. It is unlawful to operate any OHRV during the period from 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour before sunrise without displaying at least one lighted headlight and one lighted taillight.

I-a. [Repealed.]

I-b. (a) The driver of any OHRV upon approaching, overtaking, or while following within a distance of approximately 150 feet of another vehicle or OHRV during the period from 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour before sunrise shall dim all original equipped lights. The driver of any OHRV upon approaching, overtaking, or while following another vehicle or OHRV shall extinguish all aftermarket additional lighting at all times of the day or night.

(b) Aftermarket lighting shall be extinguished while operating upon any public way. Winter operation on public water shall be exempt from this subparagraph except that additional lighting shall be extinguished when meeting or overtaking other vehicles.

(c) No person other than a sworn law enforcement officer with powers of arrest shall operate an OHRV equipped with blue colored lights. Blue colored lights shall only be used on OHRVs owned or leased by state, county, municipal, or federal agencies.

(d) No person other than a sworn law enforcement officer with powers of arrest or an emergency response employee or volunteer of a city, town, state, or the federal government or an employee of a private ambulance service contracted with a city or town shall operate an OHRV equipped with red colored lights.

II. No person shall operate an OHRV upon any portion of the right of way of any public way including the traveled portion of a maintained public way except as provided in this chapter.

III. (a) No person shall operate an OHRV at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the existing conditions and without regard for actual and potential hazards. In all cases speed shall be controlled so that the operator will be able to avoid colliding with any person, vehicle, or object.

(b) Where no hazards exist which would require a lower speed to comply with subparagraph (a), the speed of any OHRV in excess of the limit specified in this section shall be prima facie evidence that the speed is not reasonable or prudent and that it is unlawful:

(1) 10 miles per hour within 150 feet of any so-called bob-house, fishing shanty or occupied fishing hole of another.

(2) 20 miles per hour on class I through VI highways when the OHRV is being operated within the rights-of-way adjacent to such highways; class IV, V, and VI highways approved for OHRV operation; and bridges open for OHRV operation.

(3) 10 miles per hour at trail junctions or parking lots, when passing trail grooming equipment, or on town or city sidewalks.

(4) 20 miles per hour on plowed roads on department of natural and cultural resources property open to OHRV operation.

(5) 35 miles per hour on all trail connectors and any approved OHRV trail, unless posted otherwise.

(c) The prima facie speed limits set forth in subparagraph (b) may be altered for a specific hazard.

(d) The driver of every OHRV shall, consistent with the requirements of subparagraph (a), drive at an appropriate reduced speed when approaching and crossing an intersection or railway grade crossing, when approaching and going around a curve, when approaching a hillcrest, when traveling upon any narrow or winding trail, and when a special hazard exists with respect to pedestrians or other traffic by reason of weather or trail conditions.

IV. It is unlawful to operate any OHRV so as to endanger any person or damage any property.

V. When meeting, the operators of OHRVs or snowmobiles shall reasonably turn to the right and reduce speed to avoid collision.

VI. No person shall operate an OHRV within the limits of any railroad right of way where the rails are still intact unless otherwise posted, except in any emergency pursuant to the provisions of RSA 215-A:9, VII; provided, however, an OHRV may be driven upon the right of way of any railroad for a crossing of the tracks at their intersection with an authorized trail, road or highway where an OHRV is not otherwise prohibited. Any person violating the provisions of this paragraph shall be guilty of a violation for the first offense and shall be guilty of a misdemeanor for any subsequent offense.

VII. No person shall operate an OHRV upon any airport runway or landing field, or within cemeteries, except in an emergency pursuant to the provisions of RSA 215-A:9, VII. Any person violating the provisions of this paragraph shall be guilty of a violation for the first offense and shall be guilty of a misdemeanor for any subsequent offense.

VIII. No person shall operate an OHRV on the right of way of any public way classified as a class I highway and designated as an interstate highway, toll road or limited access highway.

IX. Pursuant to RSA 215-A:15, and following a duly noticed public hearing advertised at least 14 days in advance in a public location in the city or town and notification to abutters by verified mail pursuant to RSA 21:53, city or town councils and boards of selectmen may authorize the use of sidewalks and class IV, class V or class VI highways and bridges, or portions thereof, for use by OHRVs. The operation of OHRVs may also be allowed on sidewalks adjacent to class I, II, III, or III-a highways pursuant to RSA 236:56, II(e). Operators of OHRVs using said roads, or portions thereof, shall keep to the extreme right and shall yield to all conventional motor vehicle traffic. The bureau, or its designee, shall so post such highways where authorized. Following a duly noticed public hearing, except in the case of an emergency closure, such city or town authorities may change the allowable usage of a class IV, class V, or class VI highway by OHRVs by giving notification to the supervisor of the bureau and removing any signs that no longer apply. The petitioner shall bear the expense of verified mail notification to abutters of property for which OHRV use is sought under this paragraph.

X. A person may operate an OHRV across any public way where the operation of said OHRV is not otherwise prohibited by law, but said person shall comply with the following provisions:

(a) The crossing shall be made at an angle of approximately 90 degrees to the direction of the public way and at a place where no obstruction prevents a quick and safe crossing; and

(b) The operator shall bring the OHRV to a complete stop before crossing the shoulder or, if none, the public way, before proceeding; and

(c) The operator shall yield the right of way to all motor vehicle traffic on such public way which constitutes an immediate hazard to such crossing; and

(d) The operator shall possess a valid motor vehicle driver's license or shall have successfully completed the approved snowmobile or OHRV safety training course.

XI. [Repealed.]

Source. 1981, 538:3. 1983, 449:5. 1988, 264:1, 2. 1990, 186:3, 4; 256:2. 1996, 63:2; 78:1. 2004, 47:1. 2005, 210:14-16, eff. July 1, 2006. 2014, 283:1, eff. July 28, 2014. 2017, 156:14, I, eff. July 1, 2017. 2019, 216:1, 16, eff. Oct. 10, 2019.