

# Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) Regulations

## Nevada Resident Information



### Nevada OHV use on the Arizona Strip

To operate your Nevada registered OHV (Off Highway Vehicles) on the Arizona Strip there are four-types of road/area classifications:

#### **Arizona County, state or public highways**

Public road constructed and maintained by the state, city, county, town, or any entity of the state of Arizona.

#### **Bureau of Land Management (BLM), US Forest Service (USFS)**

#### **National Park Service (NPS)**

#### **Designated trails or off-road special use area**

OHVs must display a current registration sticker if operated within Arizona. No person may operate an OHV on public lands without a valid State operator's license or learner's permit, where required by State or Federal laws. Operators 16-17 years of age must wear a helmet. All operators must wear eye protection. No passengers are permitted unless OHV's are designed by manufacturer to carry more than one person (no after-market kits). All OHVs must have a rear view mirror. Additionally, the OHV must be street legal registered with a metal license plate attached if operated on county/state roads or roads administered by the NPS. Therefore, **since there is not a street legal program in Nevada for OHV's (Off Highway Vehicles) they may travel only on BLM, some USFS roads, on designated trails or off-road special use areas.** Contact the land management agency for the location of these areas.  
**All Arizona State motor vehicle laws and regulations are applicable.**

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#### Definitions:

**OHV:** Any motorized vehicle which does not have the normal safety equipment such as lights and mirrors or is not built to federal vehicle standards is an off-road vehicle and is restricted to off-road use only.

**Recreation Decal:** Nevada does not currently issue a recreation decal. The designation for off-road use is usually indicated in ownership documents, the owner's manual or by a U.S. DOT label attached to the frame of the vehicle.

**Street-Legal:** Nevada does not have a "street legal" licensing program.

**Operator Requirements:** There are no driver license or minimum age requirements for off-road vehicles used in Nevada. Children under 16 operating off-highway vehicles must be supervised by an adult.

**Registered:** With the exception of converted off-highway two wheeled motorcycles, Nevada does not title off-road vehicles. If a vehicle was manufactured and designated for "off-road" or "non-road" use only, it may not be registered for use on Nevada public roads or highways unless it meets the definition of a converted off-highway two wheeled motorcycle.

**Incidental Use:** Permitted on Arizona county, state and public highways. Non-street legal OHV's may drive short distances or cross a county/state road for the purpose of either accessing or continuing travel onto roads or trails that do not require the OHV be "street legal", ie. BLM routes, some USFS routes, designated trails or off-road special use areas, and Trust Lands roads.

## Requirements:

**Option-Street Legal:** N/A without an OHV registration program for the State of Nevada.

**To ride on Public Lands:** All operators of off-highway vehicles must comply with Nevada laws and regulations, including speed limits, when operating on public lands within the state of Nevada. However, you may **NOT** drive them on any public street. City and county governments may designate small portions of public streets for access to or from off-road areas only. OHVs operated on public lands must have a muffler, spark arrester and working headlights and taillights for nighttime use.

### **Grand Canyon-Parashant National Monument**

National Park Service & Bureau of Land Management

- **Off-Road driving is not permitted within the Monument.**
- **For more information please contact the Chief Ranger at 435.688.3280 or 435.668.0701 or [ray\\_klein@nps.gov](mailto:ray_klein@nps.gov) or check the website at [www.nps.gov/para](http://www.nps.gov/para).**

## References

- The Nevada Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Public Information Project: <http://www.nevada-ohv.org/riding.html>
- Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles: <http://www.nevada-ohv.org/riding.html>
- Arizona Game and Fish – Arizona State Parks Brochure: Arizona Off-highway Vehicle Guide, “OHV Laws and Places to Ride”.
- Arizona Game and Fish Website: [http://www.azgfd.gov/outdoor\\_recreation/off\\_highway.shtml](http://www.azgfd.gov/outdoor_recreation/off_highway.shtml)
- OHV Decals are available online at: <https://servicearizona.com/webapp/offhighway/decal/> or they are available at any Arizona Motor Vehicle Division (MVD) Office.