

**TOWN OF CORINTH**  
**All Terrain Vehicle Ordinance**

Section I – Authority

Under authority granted in 24 V.S.A. Chapter 59, 24 V.S.A. §2291(4), and 23 V.S.A. §3510, The Selectboard of the Town of Corinth hereby adopts the following civil ordinance regulating the time, manner, and location of operation of all terrain vehicles (“ATV” hereinafter), within the town.

Section II – Purpose

The purpose of this ordinance is to protect the health and safety of the residents of the town and to protect the animals, property and environment of the Town of Corinth.

Section III – Definitions

- A) “All Terrain Vehicle” or “ATV” means any non-highway recreational vehicle, except snowmobiles, when used for cross-country travel on trails or on any one of the following or a combination thereof: water, snow, ice, marsh, swampland and natural terrain.
- B) “Operate” shall include any attempt to operate and shall be construed to cover all matters and things connected with the presence and use of ATV's whether they are in motion or at rest.

Section IV – Operation of ATV's

ATV's may not be operated on any town highway or trail.

Section V – Enforcement

- A) Violations of this Ordinance will be assessed fines as set forth in the following Section.
- B) The constable of the Town of Corinth and/or any person(s) duly appointed by the Selectboard shall have authority to act as an issuing Municipal Official to issue and pursue, before the Judicial Bureau, a Municipal complaint.
- C) An issuing Municipal Official shall have the authority to levy and collect a waiver fee in lieu of a civil penalty from any person who declines to contest a municipal complaint and pay the waiver fee. Offenses shall be counted on a calendar year basis.
- D) A violation of this ATV Ordinance shall be a civil matter enforceable in the Judicial Bureau in accordance with the provisions of 24 V.S.A. Chapter 59.

Section VI – Penalties

- A) Fees
  1. First offense \$50.00, waiver fee \$35.00
  2. Second offense \$100.00, waiver fee \$75.00
  3. Third offense \$200.00, waiver fee \$150.00
- B) Operators of ATV's shall be liable, in addition to the fees set forth above, for all repair costs incurred for damage to Town roads and/or property caused by the ATV.

Section VII – Amendments

- A) This Ordinance may be amended pursuant to 24 V.S.A. §1976.
- B) Any amendments to this Ordinance shall take effect in accordance with 24 V.S.A. §1971.

Section VIII – Severability

If any section of this Ordinance is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such finding shall not invalidate any other part of this Ordinance.

Section IX – Effective Date

- A) This Ordinance shall become effective 60 days after its adoption by the Corinth Selectboard and shall supersede and replace all previous ordinance regulating the time, manner, and location of operation of ATV's.
- B) If a petition is filed under 24 V.S.A. §1973, that statute shall govern the effective date of the Ordinance.

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Date

Adoption History

1. Agenda item at regular Selectboard meetings held on September 11, 2006, October 9, 2006, November 13, 2006, December 11, 2006, January 8, 2007, February 12, 2007, March 12, 2007, April 9, 2007 and May 14, 2007.
2. Read and approved at regular Selectboard meeting on May 14, 2006, and entered in the minutes of that meeting which were approved on \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Posted in public places on \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Notice of adoption published in the \_\_\_\_\_ newspaper on \_\_\_\_\_ with a notice.
5. Other actions (petitions, etc.)