

**Town Of Hartland, Shawano County, State of Wisconsin
Ordinance #2026-03
All-Terrain/Utility Terrain Vehicle Amendment to
Ordinance 2019-01**

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Whereas, The Town of Hartland has previously adopted certain regulations for the operation of All-Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) and Utility Terrain Vehicles (UTVs) in Ordinance #2019-01 of The Town of Hartland Ordinance Code; and

Whereas, The Town of Hartland has identified a need to update and clarify regulations within Ordinance #2019-01, specifically as they pertain to the operation of ATVs and UTVs within the Town of Hartland; and

Whereas, the amendments aim to promote public safety and responsible recreational vehicle operation in response to documented safety concerns and incidents involving ATV/UTV use; and

Whereas, the enforcement and penalty provisions contained in Ordinance 2019-01 are also in need of being updated, specifically with the penalty provision to be outlined in its own detailed section.

Now, therefore, be it ordained by The Town of Hartland Town Board, the Board does hereby amend ordinance 2019-01, to read as follows:

Section 4 – Conditions shall be added.

ATVs and UTVs shall be operated in compliance with all applicable state laws, orders, regulations, restriction and rules, including Wis Stats 23.33, Wis Stats Ch. 340, and Wis Admin Code ch. NR 64, which are adopted as part of this ordinance by reference. In addition, the operation of ATVs and UTVs on any portion of a town designated route shall be subject to the following:

1. No person under 12 years of age shall operate an ATV or UTV under any circumstances.

2. Persons 16 years of age or older must possess a valid drivers license to operate an ATV or UTV on town roads and shall have the valid diver's license in his or her immediate possession during operation.
3. No person under 16 years of age may operate an ATV/UTV on a designated town route, unless he or she is accompanied by his or her parent or guardian or by a person who is at least 18 years of age who is designated by the parent or guardian. Anyone accompanying those under 16 years of age must possess a valid driver's license.
4. All operators born on or after January 1, 1988, and are over the age of 12 years, are required to complete an approved ATV/UTV safety course and shall possess a valid safety certificate to operate an ATV/UTV.
5. All ATV/UTV operators are required to display fully functional lighted headlamps (white light), tail lamps (red light), and brake lights at all times while operating on a designated town route. Off-road auxiliary lighting on ATVs/UTVs are prohibited on town routes approved for ATV/UTV use.
6. No person may operate or be a passenger on an ATV or UTV without wearing protective headgear of the type required in section 347.485(1)(a), Wis Stats. unless the person is at least 18 years of age.
7. All ATV/UTV operators shall ride in single file on the right-hand side of the paved portion of the road, unless otherwise marked for operation on the shoulder or in the right of way. Operation on the gravel shoulders, grassy in slope, ditches, or other road right of way is prohibited, unless yielding right of way.
8. Open containers of alcoholic beverages or other intoxicants are prohibited for an ATV/UTV operator or passenger(s) while operating on any ATV/UTV designated route within The Town of Hartland.
9. Every ATV/UTV shall be equipped, maintained and operated to prevent excessive or unusual noise. No person shall operate an ATV/UTV on a town road unless such ATV/UTV is equipped with a muffler or other noise suppressing system in good working order and in constant operation. It shall be unlawful to use a muffler cutout, bypass or similar device on any ATV/UTV in a manner such that noise emitted by the ATV/UTV increases to a level higher than as originally manufactured.
10. A golf cart is not an ATV or UTV. Operation of golf carts on town roads is prohibited.

Section 5 – Enforcement

This ordinance shall be enforced by any officer employed by The Town of Hartland of By Shawano County, as set forth in Wis. Stat. 23.33(12).

Section 6 – Violations / Penalty

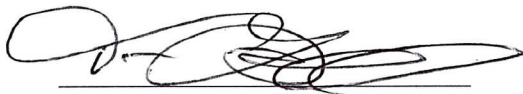
The penalty for operating an ATV/UTV off the roadway of the designated ATV/UTV route (i.e., the gravel shoulder, grassy in slope, ditch or other road right of way) or violating any other provision of this ordinance shall result in a forfeiture of not less than \$25.00 or more than \$500.00, plus court costs.

Section 7 – Effective Date

This ordinance becomes effective upon passage and publication as required by law.

Vote: 2 Yes; 1 No.

Adopted this 13th day of April, 2026



Tim Leitermann – Supervisor

Peter Schmidt – Supervisor



Dave Bohm – Chairman

Attested:  _____

Carrie Bohm – Clerk