

Mississippi Laws

TITLE 63: MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC REGULATIONS

63-21-9 Requirement of certificate of title

(2) (a) Voluntary application for title may be made for any model all-terrain vehicles

(b) A dealer whose sells, trades or otherwise transfers any new or used all-terrain vehicles as defined in this chapter, may furnish to the purchaser or transferee, without charge for either application or certificate of title, an application for title of said vehicle, and cause to be forwarded to the State Tax Commission any and all documents required by the commission to issue certificate of title to the purchaser or transferee.

AGENCY 19. DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES AND PARKS SUB-AGENCY 000. GENERAL CHAPTER 064. CONTROL OF STATE PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AS WELL AS STATE LAKES (002)

19 000 064. Control of State Parks and Recreational Facilities as Well as State Lakes (002)

Section L. Off Road Vehicles (ORV). 1. The Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks or its employees shall owe no duty of care to keep the premises safe for entry or use by others for recreational activities or to give warning of any hazardous condition, use structure or activity on the premises to person entering for those purposes. Given the permission to pursue recreational activities on the premises shall not thereby: A. Extend any assurance that the premises are safe for those purposes; B. Make the person to whom permission is granted an invitee or licensee to whom a duty of care is owed; or C. Assume responsibility for or incur liability for any injury to person or property caused by any act of persons to whom the permission is granted. 2. For the purposes of Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks an Off - Road Vehicle (ORV) is defined as: Any motorized vehicle which travels off-road for recreational purposes. ORVs include: motorbikes such as minibikes, dirt bikes, endures and motor cross bikes and all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) such as the popular three and four-wheelers. Bikes and ATVs vehicles with two or more wheels that is manufactured for sale to be used primarily off-highway on in off-road competitions, and that is no wider than 50 inches and weighs no more than 1000 pounds. 3. For the purpose of Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks accompaniment and accompanying shall be defined as: A parent or guardian, within visual and voice contact and under the effective control of minor child. 4. An ORV owner, or another person in possession of an ORV, may not knowingly permit or authorize any person under age 21 to operate an ORV in violation of state, local, or State Park rules and regulations. 5. Any owner of an ORV, any person who gives or furnishes and ORV to any person, and any parent or guardian responsible for the care of a minor under 21 years of age shall be liable with the operator for any damages caused in the operation of the vehicle or by this minor in operation of any ORV. 6. Both the owner and the operator of an ORV may be held liable for the injury and/or damages resulting from an ORV held liable for injury and/or damages resulting form and ORV accident and/or mis-use of ORV resulting in damages to others, state park property of wildlife there of. 7. All ORV users are to have on file at the Park Office a waiver consent of liability. (Good for calendar year.) 8. All ORV and horse riders/users are to register themselves and guest upon entry at Park Office. 9. All ORV users are required to have on person at all times proof of age and/or photo identification.

10. All ORV users are required to have on person at all times user valid pass (Yearly or Daily). 11. Persons less than 21 years of age but not less than 6 years of age, are required to have on file at park office a Waiver Consent signed by parent or guardian in the presence of a Park Staff Member or form must be signed by parent or legal guardian and notarized if the minor driver is coming to ride within the park without their parent or legal guardian in accompaniment. Persons (age 21 or above) accompanying youth must also sign acknowledgment or responsibility (Good for up to the Calendar Year, parents or legal guardian wanting one time use should mark appropriately so on form.) 11. Persons under age 6 are prohibited from operating an ORV within Park Boundaries. 12. Safety gear - Helmets (USDOT approved) must be worn at all times when operating an ORV. 13. Anyone involved in an accident/incident while operating an ORV on State Park Property is subject to drug and/or alcohol testing. 14. Reckless operation/riding, including but not limited to, wheelies, donuts, jumps or other stunts, double riding (where not recommended by manufacture) or operating an ORV at greater than reasonable and prudent speed for the existing conditions is prohibited. Reckless Operation of ORVs is considered operating an ORV in such a way as to recklessly create a substantial risk of serious bodily injury to one's self, another person or property. 15. All ORVs, horses, must be on designated trails. Use of public roads, park roads (paved) by ORVs and horses is prohibited. 16. ORV, Equestrian, Mountain Bike Trails are to be operated from 8:00 AM to sunset only. 17. All ORVs must have a functioning spark arrester. 18. All ORVs must have a muffler(s) in working order. A. ORVs must not omit a noise while in operation of 90 decibels. AND/OR B. No ORV shall operate in a loud, annoying manner as to DISTURB other park guests. 19. No washing or ORVs, horses, or mountain bikes is permitted on park grounds. 20. No fluid draining or changing or any vehicles visibly leaking fluids are allowed. 21. ORVs are not to be operated in a manner which damages or unreasonably disturbs the land, wildlife, or vegetation. ORVs, mountain bikes, and horses may not be operated/ridden in a tree nursery or planting in a manor which damages or destroys growing stock or creates risk of damage or destruction. 22. Riding of passengers is prohibited except where your ORV is so rated for passengers by the manufacture or as set forth by the USDOT. It is your responsibility to produce the proof of this and have it on your person at all times. 23. ORVs must be operated while seated on the permanent, regular seat except where provided by manufacture. 24. ORVs, mountain bikes, and horses may not be operated/ridden in wetlands, streams or lakes. 25. Accidents/Incidents must be reported to the park office in writing with in 24 hours. Forms are obtainable at park entrance gate. If you are incapacitated, the written report may be filed by another party familiar with the accident/incident. However that does not relieve you of your legal responsibility to file this report. 26. Special events may be held only if: The person in charge of any ORV, equestrian, mountain bike special event or off road competition must apply in writing to Trace State Park or the Director of Mississippi State Parks for written authorization at least 30 days in advance. Applicant must provide copy of liability insurance in the amount of One Million Dollars for the event, covering the event organization, Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks and its employees.

AGENCY 19. DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES AND PARKS SUB-AGENCY 000.
GENERAL CHAPTER 036. WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA RESTRICTIONS (3174)

Section 2. Basic Regulations for All Wildlife Management Areas. Safety Precautions: All rules of gun safety shall be observed. Target shooting is prohibited. No hunting or shooting within 200 yards of any building. No alcoholic beverages allowed. Persons intoxicated or careless with firearms shall be expelled from hunts immediately. Firearms: No firearms shall be permitted during the closed season on game birds and

animals. Forfeiture of Privileges: If while on a wildlife management area any person violates any rule or regulation adopted by the Commission on Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, or any game and fish statute, and is convicted for that violation, that person may be required by a review panel of MDWFP officials to forfeit, for a period of one calendar year from the date of conviction, all hunting and fishing privileges on that wildlife management area. In addition, the Commission may revoke, for a period of one calendar year, the person's privileges to hunt and fish on all wildlife management areas within the state. Before the revocation of a person's privileges to hunt and fish on all wildlife management areas within the state, the person shall be given notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, setting out the grounds on which revocation is sought, and the person shall have a right to be heard before the Commission at its next regular meeting. All Vehicles within, entering or leaving a wildlife management area are subject to being checked at roadblocks or checkpoints for compliance with game and fish and/or wildlife management area laws and regulations. All Persons Fifteen (15) Years of Age or Younger, while hunting on a wildlife management area, must be in the immediate vicinity and under the direct supervision of an adult, twenty-one (21) years of age or older, at all times who will be responsible for the minor's actions. Furthermore, if the child is under the age of twelve (12), the supervising adult must be a licensed or exempt hunter. Youth Hunts: Persons eligible to participate in specially designated youth hunts are those who are fifteen (15) years of age or younger. Hunter Orange: When hunting deer during any firearm season on deer on a wildlife management area, including during special hunts, hunters must wear in full view a minimum of 500 square inches of solid unbroken fluorescent orange. When hunting quail or rabbit on a wildlife management area, hunters must wear a hunter orange vest or cap. During any Youth Hunt for Deer, ALL deer hunters on the area must wear 500 square inches of solid unbroken fluorescent orange. Dogs: Dogs are not allowed on wildlife management areas during closed seasons except by field trial permit. Roads/Vehicles: During all wildlife management area deer firearms seasons, no loaded weapons allowed within 100 feet of the right of way of any public road. Public roads are any roads maintained with federal, state, or local funds. No motorized vehicles allowed on any roads blocked or posted as closed.

No ATV/ORV allowed on any public road open to licensed motorized vehicles or on power line/pipeline rights-of-ways. No loaded weapon may be in possession when operating an ORV/ATV. ORVs/ATVs may be used on the wildlife management area by any Federal, State, or Local Officers, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force engaged in the performance of an official duty. Vehicles blocking any gate, road, trail, levee, right-of-way, or permit station may be towed at owner's expense. Horses: Horses are defined as any equine species, or livestock, that may be ridden. No horses allowed on any levees within a wildlife management area. Food Plots/Agricultural Leases: No horses, ATVs/ORVs or other vehicles allowed on wildlife food plots or on areas leased for agricultural purposes. Harassment of wildlife, including spotlighting, is prohibited. Tree Stands and Blinds: It shall be illegal to construct or to hunt from any permanent stands or blinds. Destroying, defacing, cutting, driving nails into or otherwise damaging any standing live tree, natural feature or plant is prohibited. All stands and blinds must be removed from the hunting area daily "without exception". Baiting and Feeding: No bait or feed is allowed on the area at any time. Hunting over bait or feed is prohibited. No food plots may be placed on the area except by area personnel. During Deer Seasons Without Dogs, the use of organized drivers and standers in which drivers make noises by shouting, whistling or any noise making devices is prohibited. Beavers, Coyotes, and Hogs are classified as predatory animals and may be killed during any open season on a wildlife management area with weapons and ammunition legal for that season. Hog hunters must wear a minimum of 500 square inches of hunter orange during all firearm seasons for deer. Posting of Regulations: Area Managers shall post regulations, and

changes thereto, at each check-in station and at the area headquarters.

Guides/Outfitters: No person or group of persons may act as a guide, outfitter or in any other capacity on any Wildlife Management Area for which they are paid or promised to be paid by any other individual or individuals for services rendered to any other person or persons using said Wildlife Management Area, nor is commercial dog training allowed on any Wildlife Management Area. Transporting or Releasing into the wild or capture and removal of any live animal or plant is prohibited without Commission approval.

Other Seasons: Hunting seasons for animals not listed in individual wildlife management area regulations are the same as statewide seasons. **Handicapped Hunter Access:** Individuals who meet the criteria in Public Notice 3518 are eligible to access handicapped special use areas on WMAs, unless prohibited by federal regulations. Contact a MDWFP District Office for a permit application and additional information.