Off-Road Vehicles

During 2019, the Ministry of Transportation made two legislative amendments to the Highway Traffic Act to improve the experience of off-road vehicle (ORV) riding in the province. These changes, outlined within this infographic, have two effective dates: One set of changes became effective as of July 1, 2020 and the second set of changes are proposed to take

effect January 1, 2021.

Common ORV Types

All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs)

Side-by-Sides

Act

Ontario Moving

Getting (

New ORV Types



all-terrain vehicle

(ATV)





vehicle

(two-up ATV)

recreational off-highway vehicle (ROV)



utility terrain vehicle (UTV)



off-road motorcycle (ORM)



extreme terrain vehicle (XTV)

Act

Smarter for Business

Better for

Effective July 1, 2020

Where a by-law is/was created to enable their use, these vehicles types or vehicles will continue to be permitted on any municipal road

Additional by-law/amended existing by-law is required to permit new vehicle types





By-laws made before July 1, 2020 will not automatically permit these vehicles

Proposed for January 1, 2021







No changes

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Current vehicles permitted on road

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Permitted on ANY municipal road where a by-law is created to enable their use

Not permitted on road

Restricted to off road use









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> Not permitted on road Restricted to off road use







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In municipalities listed in Regulation 8/03, all ORV vehicle types, including new vehicle types, will be permitted on municipal roads.

> Municipalities must create a by-law to restrict or prohibit their use



Municipality A
Default speed limit less than 80km/h

Municipality B
Municipalities listed in
Regulation 8/03)









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