



Town of Odessa Marshal's Office  
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From: Town Marshal

To: White Knuckle Off – Road Vehicle Riders

Re: Riding Off-Road Vehicles on City Streets and State Highways  
within the City limits of Odessa

First of all, this office and the Town of Odessa **WELCOMES** all of you to our small quiet community located in Lincoln County.

Some of you may or may not know, this is the **FIRST YEAR** that the Town of Odessa has opened up certain designated streets and state highways within the city limits to ride your off-road vehicles. This will give you the opportunity to visit our downtown area and patronize our business' here in Odessa.

This office is charged with the responsibility of safety to our community, its residents and visitors. One of those responsibilities is to insure traffic safety and that all the State, County and City law are enforced. In order to help us do that, we need all of you to assist us by following all motor vehicle laws pertaining to the rules of the road. Therefore, I want to provide everyone with the rules that will need to be followed while riding your off-road vehicles on our streets and highways.

You can only ride on the designated streets and highways between the hours of 7:00 AM and dusk.

You must have been assigned an **ORV USE PERMIT** or you must display a current **ORV TAG** issued by the Department of Licensing (per

RCW 46.09.040). If you are a resident of another state, you must have a valid **ORV PERMIT/LICENSE** issued and displayed by that state.

You must obey the posted speed limits and in areas that are posted, the speed limit is 25 MPH.

Your ORV must have an approved muffler and spark arrester per RCW 46.09.120.

You cannot ride abreast (side by side) of another off-road vehicle.

You cannot operate your off-road vehicle under the influence of alcohol and/or a controlled substance (RCW 46.09.120(2) applies).

You must wear a **DOT** approved helmet.

You must wear eye protection.

No joy-riding and no passengers unless off-road vehicle has passenger riding pegs.

No person under the age of **SIXTEEN (16)** or without a valid state driver's license shall ride their off-road vehicle on the city street and/or highways within the city limits of the Town of Odessa.

A State of Washington Accident Report must be filed immediately with this office in the event there is an accident resulting in injury to or death of any person(s) or property damage to another.

This office will be proactive and will be out monitoring traffic. In the event traffic, license and/or operation violations are committed, a traffic infraction maybe issued.

On a **SPECIAL NOTE**: Everyone needs to be aware that this office will be strictly enforcing off-road vehicles on the city streets or highways **WITHOUT** a current **ORV PERMIT/TAG**. If found, the off-road vehicle will be secured at the Odessa Marshal's office and held until the owner of the vehicle comes to pick it up. At that time a Notice of Infraction maybe issued. If you come to the office and no one is there, you can call 509 988-0141 or 509 988-0607.

**SOLUTION**: If you plan on riding your off-road vehicle on our streets, please make sure that it has a current **ORV PERMIT/TAG**, drive safely and obey all the rules of the road.

Enjoy your visit and please ride safely, we want you back next year. If you have any questions, feel free to call me or send me an e-mail at [odessamarshal230@odessaoffice.com](mailto:odessamarshal230@odessaoffice.com).

Sincerely,

Michael P. Wren  
Marshal