



ATV Maine
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The purpose and benefits of ATV Maine

To EDUCATE its members and the general public regarding the safe and responsible use of All-Terrain Vehicles.

- Encourage affiliated clubs to participate in community events, organize trail rides, hold charity fundraisers, help in rescue efforts and promote a positive image within the community.
- Investigate new and innovative ways to get the message of safe and responsible ATV use out to the riders.
- Encourage all members to work with law enforcement and educate others on responsible behavior and how their actions affect our sport.

To Be ONE VOICE representing all ATV clubs when meeting with the State, Landowners, and other organizations.

- Act as a facilitator between ATV clubs, the State, and landowners to mediate any problems legally and fairly.
- Communicate to State agencies regarding the creation and maintenance of trail systems throughout the State.
- Participate and give presentations at public and governmental gatherings to positively promote the sport of ATV riding.

To SHARE INFORMATION between clubs, individuals, and the general public.

- Supporting Business members may be listed on our website and will receive a plaque for display and tag for each year of membership.
- Keep the media up to date on ATV issues and explain how these issues will affect ATV use and the economic impact it will have on the State.
- Make available ATV-related literature to any affiliated club and participate in area sports shows and events to positively promote the sport.

To Provide REPRESENTATION in Government, Local, State, and Federal.

- Be a unified voice in legislative issues regarding ATV use.
- Provide representation in policymaking decisions on ATV issues.
- Hold representative positions on government advisory committees.

To OPEN UP LANDS for more trails to ride on.

- Encourage affiliated clubs to help educate landowners, law enforcement & local government on the benefits of having a maintained ATV trail system.
- Work with corporate landowners, other state organizations, and the government to provide more land use opportunities to ATV clubs.

To Make INSURANCE available.

- Provide a \$3,500 Accidental Death and Dismemberment benefit to all ATV Maine primary members and their immediate families including supporting business owners.
- Offer General Liability Insurance to all affiliated clubs.

To TREAD LIGHTLY, to encourage the use of ATV's and establishment of ATV trails in a manner that will result in a minimum effect on the environment.

- Strongly stress the importance that clubs work with landowners and build trails that will stand up to repeated ATV use.

Club Responsibility, Each club maintains their trails to a standard the state has called Best Maintenance Standards to include.

- Brush cutting, trimming, mowing, raking, ditch work, and bridge work.
- Each club has events for fundraising from a simple BBQ to a ride event on the trails to raise money, IE Poker Run, this is not a competition. They sell their own merchandise.

Safety Trailer: ATV Maine has two safety trailers. Each trailer contains 2 machines for kids to learn and get comfortable riding.

- The course is covered by 2 to 6 adults so they can help keep an eye on the young riders.
- Each machine is governed by a speed limiter of no more than 10mph.
- Each machine has a kill switch that is remote operated by one of the adults.
- The course is closed and supervised with only those 2 machines having access.
- If the kill switch is used, it gives the young rider a chance to get off the machine or continue to ride.
- The course has all the trail signs for the young riders to see as well as simulated bridges for them to drive over.

**Please remember,
without private landowners allowing us to use their land,
we would not have a place to ride.**