

City of Berlin and Town of Gorham, NH

2017 Jericho ATV Festival

ATV / OHRV Traffic Rules and Information

Purpose: The following rules and associated information are provided to the public to promote the safety of the traveling public and all residents of the City of Berlin and Town of Gorham. The Berlin and Gorham Police Departments ask all motorists and OHRV users to operate their vehicles with caution and due care. It is anticipated that the roadways in the area will be very busy and the following rules must be adhered to by all OHRV operators:

1. OHRV's will be allowed to travel on all streets and state roads within the City of Berlin with two exceptions noted below, on August 4 & 5, between the hours of 7am - 10pm.
 - a. NH State RTE 16 north at the intersection of RTE 16 and Cates Hill Road.
 - b. NH State RTE 110 at the OHRV trailhead - No OHRVs beyond the trailhead.
2. OHRV's are not allowed to travel between Berlin and Gorham via RTE 16. No OHRVs are allowed on the Berlin/Gorham Road. There are trails that connect Berlin and Gorham. No OHRV travel is allowed north of RTE 2 in Gorham or south of the Berlin City limit.
3. All motor vehicle laws must be obeyed when operating on the roadways (please ride as you would in a car or a truck). Do not travel in the breakdown lanes or along the shoulder of the roadway. Riders shall ride in a single file (side by side) on the road.
4. All unlicensed operators shall be accompanied by a responsible adult who is 25 years of age or older and is a licensed driver. The person accompanying the unlicensed driver shall be liable for the violation.
5. Local area law enforcement will take a "zero tolerance" approach in enforcing all motor vehicle laws. For example: speeding, DWI's, loud mufflers, operating recklessly, riding on one tire with "dirt bikes" and riding on two tires with "4-wheeled vehicles". Excess noise and speed will close access routes and trails. Follow posted signs. No exhaust modifications are permitted.
6. All riders MUST possess a valid NH OHRV registration in accordance with NH State Statutes.
7. Main and Pleasant Streets in the immediate downtown area in Berlin will be open to ATVs / OHRVs only during the "Downtown Block Party" on Friday, August 4th from 4pm - 9pm. The Block Party will end with a Torch lit Parade promptly at 9pm. All riders must then continue to travel back to their lodging 10pm.
8. All Trails and Highways closed to OHRV traffic use at 10PM! Riders MUST be back at their destination and cannot operate after this hour on Friday and Saturday, August 4th & 5th. This will be strictly enforced, please make your plans accordingly!
9. Let's ALL BE SAFE and let's ALL HAVE FUN!!