

Fines and Penalties

There are very serious fines and penalties for not following the Off-Highway Vehicle Pilot Project Bylaw, including impoundment of your OHV and the full repair cost for damaged municipal property.

Operating an OHV in municipal parks, trails and green spaces

 **\$400**

Driver or passengers not wearing a helmet

 **\$300**

Operating an OHV on a roadway outside of the designated area or for non-permitted purposes

 **\$300**

Operating an OHV on a roadway during a Municipal Fire Ban.

 **\$600**

Operating an OHV on a sidewalk

 **\$600**

RCMP and Bylaw Peace Officers will be patrolling the area and doing regular checks.

To report illegal OHV use or safety concerns, contact Pulse at 780-743-7000.
For emergencies, always call 9-1-1.

Find everything you need to know about the Abasand Off-Highway Vehicle Pilot Project at rmwb.ca/ohv



Abasand Off-Highway Vehicle Pilot Project












Ride safe, ride right and enjoy!



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Starting July 1, 2024, Off-Highway Vehicles (OHV) are allowed on municipal roads in Abasand when travelling to and from the designated staging area. The pilot project encourages safe and responsible OHV use, while providing better ways to stop dangerous riding and damage to municipal parks, urban trails and green spaces.

Always check if an OHV Restriction or Fire Ban is in place before riding. If a Fire Ban is in effect for the Urban Service Area of Fort McMurray, OHV use on municipal roads is prohibited.

-  **Max 30 km.** OHVs cannot exceed 30 kms/hr and must follow all lower posted speed limits. Drive cautiously, obey all stop signs and regular traffic laws.
-  **Helmet On.** All riders and passengers must wear helmets that meet Alberta's safety standards for motorcycles, unless your OHV has a roll over protection system.
-  **Buckle Up.** Seatbelts must be worn if your OHV is equipped with them.
-  **Ride right.** You need a Class 5 license or greater. Your OHV needs to be registered with insurance and a visible license plate. Travel with your documents.
-  **Be Seen.** Turn on your headlights and taillights. Use turn signals or hand signals.
-  **Be Mindful of Noise.** OHVs need a working muffler and cannot cause unnecessary noise.
-  **One At a Time.** OHVs must travel in single file and not pass in single lanes.
-  **Seats For All Passengers.** Passengers must be at least six years old and weigh more than 18 kgs. OHV manufacturer specifications must be followed, which may include more restrictive age limits
-  **Be Wildfire Wise.** Always bring a shovel, pail or fire extinguisher. Ensure your OHV has a functioning spark arrestor and make frequent stops to remove debris from hot spots.
-  **Keep Roads Clean.** Don't track excessive mud and debris onto roads.
-  **Wheels Only.** Snowmobiles are not allowed on roads and aren't included in the pilot.

Whether you're an OHV user or not, you can share feedback throughout the pilot project at rmwb.ca/ohv. We're all ears and gears!



Know the limits

- Stay on the designated Abasand roads and OHV trails in the forested area. OHV use on roads in other neighbourhoods is strictly prohibited.
- Sidewalks, parks, urban trails and greenspaces are off-limits. OHV use is not allowed on the perimeter trail around the Abasand neighbourhood and the greenspace between homes and the trail.
- OHVs must travel the shortest route between your home and the designated staging area or Abasand gas station. You cannot drive your OHV to a neighbour's home, a park, a school or other areas in Abasand.
- Don't park your OHV on the street. OHVs must be parked and stored on your property.
- OHV use on private roads and in parking lots in Abasand is not allowed, unless the owner has directly permitted it. Condominiums are located on private roads, with the exception of Abasand Dr.
- Watch for "No OHVs" signs. OHVs may be driven on all municipal roads in Abasand, unless there is signage in place prohibiting use on a road.

