

Off Highway Vehicle Use

Attention: Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Users

New Mexico has requirements for off-highway vehicles (OHV) that became law in 2006. The law is designed to protect the safety of all citizens and ensure responsible OHV use. OHVs include all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), recreational off-highway vehicles (ROVs), dirt bikes and snowmobiles. It is the rider's responsibility to know the laws before riding on public lands.

New Mexico residents must have their OHVs registered with the N.M. Motor Vehicle Division to legally operate on public lands. A nonresident who's OHV is not registered or does not have an off-highway use-permit from another state, must obtain a New Mexico Nonresident OHV Permit to legally operate on public lands in New Mexico. Nonresident permits cost \$48 for a two year permit, or \$18 for a 90 day permit. Permits are available online at www.B4uRide.com, www.wildlife.state.nm.us, at any Department office, or by calling (505) 476-8140.

All riders younger than 18 must wear a helmet and protective eye wear, complete an approved OHV safety course to obtain a safety permit, be visually supervised by a parent or guardian, and only operate an age appropriate sized ATV. For information on approved safety training courses and OHV size standards, go to www.B4uRide.com.

New Mexico Law prohibits the operation of OHVs on private lands or roads without the permission of the landowner or leaseholder of the lands. Cutting fences, harassing livestock, riding within an earthen tank, or interfering with people engaged in agricultural practices is illegal. OHVs also must be equipped with a U.S. Forest Service approved spark arrestor not exceeding 96 decibels and have a headlight and tail light if driven at night. It is illegal to operate an OHV while under the influence of alcohol or drugs. There is a 10 M.P.H. speed limit within 200 feet of a business, person, horseback rider or occupied dwelling. OHVs may not be operated on any paved roadway, except to cross after coming to a complete stop.

All law enforcement officers have the authority to enforce all OHV laws and to request the operators identification, registration and check for compliance.

For more information, visit the OHV Program website: www.B4uRide.com or call (505) 476-8140 or (505) 476-8171.

Instructions for Form 3

To hunt protected game species in New Mexico, all residents and nonresidents, regardless of age, must first purchase a **Game-hunting** or combination **Game-hunting and Fishing License**. All nonresidents must be licensed, even for hunting unprotected, nongame species.

All deer licenses purchased from local vendors or via Form 3 are valid ONLY on private land. DO NOT purchase one of these licenses unless you have access to private land. Do not purchase any deer license from a local vendor or via Form 3 if you drew a public land deer license.

Use Form 3 ONLY for the licenses, stamps and validations listed. Do not use this form to apply for any draw hunts. Over-the-counter licenses (except ibex, Barbary sheep, Trapper and Resident Junior Trapper) also are available from all license vendors in New Mexico.

- Please print legibly
- Photocopies of Form 3 are acceptable but each must have an original signature
- Check all applicable licenses or permits
- Submit all fees listed on Form 3
- Add a \$1 vendor fee to the total amount for all licenses
- You must sign Form 3
- Mail orders for licenses should be received in the Special Hunts office at least 14 days before the license is needed
- Pay only by credit card, check or money order made payable to Department of Game and Fish. Do not mail cash. Persons using any license purchased with a check or credit card returned for insufficient funds can be prosecuted for using a license unlawfully procured and are subject to a one-year revocation of all hunting and fishing privileges.
- Do not fax Form 3

Return Form 3 with your payment to any Department office or mail it to:

**Special Hunts Office
Department of Game and Fish
PO Box 25125, Santa Fe, N.M. 87504**