**TOWN OF PALMYRA, WI ORDINANCE NO. 2022-002**

Ordinance Establishing

All-Terrain Vehicle and Utility Terrain Vehicle Routes and Regulations

in the Town of Palmyra, Jefferson County, Wisconsin

SECTION I – TITLE AND PURPOSE

The title of this ordinance is the Town of Palmyra All-Terrain Vehicle and Utility Terrain Vehicle Route Ordinance. The purpose of this ordinance is to establish all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle routes in the Town of Palmyra and to regulate the operation of all-terrain vehicles and utility terrain vehicles in the Town of Palmyra.

SECTION II – AUTHORITY

The Town Board of the Town of Palmyra, Jefferson County, Wisconsin, has the specific authority to adopt this All-Terrain Vehicle and Utility Terrain Vehicle Ordinance under s. [23.33 (8) (b)](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/statutes/23.33(8)(b)) and [(11)](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/statutes/23.33(11)), Wis. stats.

SECTION III – ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

This ordinance adopted on proper notice with a quorum and roll call vote by a majority of the Palmyra Town Board present and voting, provides the authority for the Town of Palmyra to designate all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle routes in the Town of Palmyra and to regulate the use of those routes and all-terrain vehicles and utility terrain vehicles in the Town of Palmyra, designates all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle routes in the Town of Palmyra and provides for the regulation of the use of those routes and of all-terrain vehicles and utility terrain vehicles in the Town of Palmyra.

SECTION IV – OPERATION OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES AND UTILITY TERRAIN VEHICLES

Pursuant to s. [23.33 (4) (d) 4.](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/statutes/23.33(4)(d)4.), Wis. stats., except as otherwise provided in s. [23.33 (4)](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/statutes/23.33(4)), Wis. stats., no person may operate an all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle on the roadway portion of any highway in the Town of Palmyra except on roadways that are designated as all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle routes by this ordinance. Operation of all-terrain vehicles and utility terrain vehicles on a roadway in the Town of Palmyra that is an all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle route is authorized only for the extreme right side of the roadway except that left turns may be made from any part of the roadway that is safe given prevailing conditions.

SECTION V – DESIGNATION OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE AND UTILITY TERRAIN VEHICLE ROUTES

A.

1. The following routes are designated all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle routes in the Town of Palmyra:

[list road names and designate parts of roads and locations affected or attach a plat map to the ordinance with designated highways marked as all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle routes].

Or

2.  All highways are designated all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle routes in the Town of Palmyra, except the following:

[list road names and designate parts of roads and locations affected or attach a plat map to the ordinance with designated highways marked as exceptions to the designation of all highways as all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle routes].

B.   The following corridors are designated as trails in the Town of Palmyra: \*

[describe affected parcels and designate corridors over the affected parcels and attach a plat map to the ordinance with designated corridors marked as off-highway motorcycle trails].

SECTION VI – CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE AND UTILITY TERRAIN VEHICLE ROUTES

Pursuant to s. [23.33 (8) (d)](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/statutes/23.33(8)(d)), Wis. stats., the following restrictions are placed on the use of the town all-terrain vehicle [and utility terrain vehicle] routes designated by this resolution:

A.   Routes shall be marked with uniform all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle route signs in accordance with s. [23.33 (8) (e)](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/statutes/23.33(8)(e)), Wis. stats., and s. [NR 64.12 (7)](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/administrativecode/NR%2064.12(7)), Wisconsin Administrative Code. No person may do any of the following in regard to signs marking town all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle routes:

1. Intentionally remove, damage, deface, move, or obstruct any uniform all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle route or trail sign or standard or intentionally interfere with the effective operation of any uniform all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle route or trail sign or standards if the sign or standard is legally placed by the state, any municipality, or any authorized individual.
2. Possess any uniform all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle route or trail sign or standard of the type established by the department for the warning, instruction, or information of the public, unless he or she obtained the uniform all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle route or trail sign or standard in a lawful manner. Possession of a uniform all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle route or trail sign or standard creates a rebuttable presumption of illegal possession.

B.   Operation shall be subject to all provisions of s. [23.33](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/statutes/23.33), Wis. stats., which is adopted as a part of this ordinance by reference, pursuant to s. [23.33 (11)](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/statutes/23.33(11)), Wis. stats.

C.   A copy of this ordinance shall be sent by the town clerk to the Department of Natural Resources, the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department and any other law enforcement agency serving the Town of Palmyra's jurisdiction.

D.   [List additional restrictions and applicable time periods, if any, for example:

All all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle operators shall observe posted roadway speed limits.

All all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle operators shall ride single file.

All all-terrain vehicle and utility terrain vehicle operators shall slow the vehicle to 10 mph or less when operating within 150 feet of a dwelling.]

SECTION VII – ENFORCEMENT

This ordinance may be enforced by any law enforcement officer authorized to enforce the laws of the state of Wisconsin [and additionally as stated in the Town's citation authority ordinance adopted per s. [66.0113](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/statutes/66.0113)]

SECTION VIII – PENALTIES

The penalties under s. [23.33 (13)](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/statutes/23.33(13)), Wis. stats., are adopted by reference.

SECTION IX – SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are severable.

SECTION X – EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage, posting and publication as provided under s. [60.80](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/statutes/60.80), Wis. Stats.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_

Posted this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_ Town Hall Board and Town Website

Attest:

Town of Palmyra Chair Town of Palmyra Clerk/Treasurer

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Note: Information on all-terrain vehicles generally, including registration requirements and applications, can be accessed on the Department of Natural Resources website at the following address:

[http://dnr.wi.gov/Permits/registrationandtitling.html#1](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/?url=http%3a%2f%2fdnr.wi.gov%2fPermits%2fregistrationandtitling.html%231&sig=11A9DB7A3E2D3CD7CB9C8CCEC617902F0C5A49F013273DB87BF09FD86EBB3550)

Note: Information regarding all-terrain vehicle routes, including suggested Route Ordinance formats can be accessed on the Department of Natural Resources website at the following address:

[http://dnr.wi.gov/aid/documents/atv/manual.pdf](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/?url=http%3a%2f%2fdnr.wi.gov%2faid%2fdocuments%2fatv%2fmanual.pdf&sig=C6ABCA278B40E3F3B9E91755BF8D2864FFBE51A3351CE3D19A1CF5EEB990FB99)