



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: TRADOC Statement of All-Terrain Vehicle Operator Responsibilities

1. Reference: AR 385-10 (The Army Safety Program)

2. I, _____ am a Soldier in the U.S. Army or military service member from another service or country assigned to a TRADOC organization. I have been identified as a potential all-terrain vehicle (ATV) rider (current or future). I understand my responsibility as an operator of an ATV to do so in a safe manner and in accordance with the provisions of all local laws, Army and DOD guidance, and local policies.

3. **I understand that at a minimum the personal protective equipment (PPE)** requirements for ATV operations include: PPE requirements "*Motorcycle and all-terrain vehicle rider protection*", stated in accordance with AR 385-10. For off road use in areas with brush or rock, off-road high-top motorcycle boots with shin and brush protection is recommended.

4. **Approved ATV age and model size requirements:** There is no standard that dictates minimum age for ATV operation. However, Soldier size and body composition should be considered when selecting ATV size and power. Most manufactures provide recommendations on size and power.

5. **Training:** I understand that an ATV is not an easy vehicle to operate, and reading the owner's manual or watching a video may not provide adequate training. Information on available training can be obtained from either a local motorcycle/ATV dealer or by calling (800) 887-2887 (ATV enrollment Express).

6. **Age, Registration, License, and Insurance:** Licensing requirements vary from state to state, and it is my responsibility to operate in accordance with state requirements. I also understand that I need to check other state requirements if I operate my ATV away from the local area.

7. **I understand that formal training and a full understanding of the cautions and the hazards** associated with ATV operation is required before I operate an ATV. I also understand that I must always wear a helmet and safety gear while riding on an ATV. I will not drive an ATV on paved roads (when/where illegal to do so), I will never drive while under the influence of drugs or alcohol, and I will avoid excessive speed. I also understand I am responsible for anyone I choose to allow to operate my ATV.

8. **TRADOC's Goal** is to ensure that I am aware of the hazards and risks identified for ATV operation and that I fully and freely accept the responsibility for operating in accordance with the laws, regulations, and policies listed above. I acknowledge I have been briefed on and understand the information provided above.

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