

RCW 46.09.444 Wheeled all-terrain vehicles—Driver's license requirement—Penalty—Training course. (1) A person may not operate a wheeled all-terrain vehicle upon a public roadway of this state, not including nonhighway roads and trails, without (a) first obtaining a valid driver's license issued to Washington residents in compliance with chapter 46.20 RCW or (b) possessing a valid driver's license issued by the state of the person's residence if the person is a nonresident.

(2) A person who operates a wheeled all-terrain vehicle under this section is granted all rights and is subject to all duties applicable to the operator of a motorcycle under RCW 46.37.530 and chapter 46.61 RCW, unless otherwise stated in chapter 23, Laws of 2013 2nd sp. sess., except that wheeled all-terrain vehicles may not be operated side-by-side in a single lane of traffic.

(3) Wheeled all-terrain vehicles are subject to chapter 46.55 RCW.

(4) Any person who violates this section commits a traffic infraction.

(5) The department may develop and implement an online training course for persons that register wheeled all-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles for use on a public roadway of this state. The department is granted rule-making authority for the training course. Any future costs associated with the training course must be appropriated from the highway safety account [fund] and any fees collected must be distributed to the highway safety account [fund]. [2013 2nd sp.s. c 23 s 5.]

Finding—Intent—2013 2nd sp.s. c 23: See note following RCW 46.09.442.

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