

**TOWN OF NAMAKAGON**  
**ALL TERRAIN (ATV) AND UTILITY TERRAIN (UTV) ROUTE ORDINANCE**  
**32R**  
**Amended May 16, 2023**

**Town of Namakagon**  
**Bayfield County**  
**Cable, Wisconsin**

**THE TOWN DOES REPEAL AND RECREATE THE FOLLOWING:**

**SECTION I – TITLE AND PURPOSE**

The title of this ordinance is the Town of Namakagon ATV/UTV Route Ordinance. The purpose of this ordinance is to establish ATV/UTV routes in the town and to regulate the operation of ATV/UTV vehicles in the town.

**SECTION II – AUTHORITY**

The Town Board of the Town of Namakagon, Bayfield County, Wisconsin, has the specific authority to adopt this ATV/UTV Route Ordinance under s.23.33(8)(b) and (11), Wis. Stats.

A request must be in writing to the Town Board to consider opening an additional ATV/UTV route or a modification/amendment to an existing route that would use a town road in the Town of Namakagon and include a petition with two-thirds of the property owner's signatures of the requested route in support of opening the route. The request must be received two weeks prior to a regular scheduled Town Board meeting.

**SECTION III - ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE**

This ordinance adopted on proper notice with a quorum and roll call vote by a majority of the town board present and voting, provides the authority for the town to designate ATV/UTV routes in the town and to regulate the use of these routes and ATV/UTV's in the town.

**SECTION IV – OPERATION OF ATV'S AND UTV'S**

Pursuant to s.23.33(4)(d)4., Wis. Stats., except as otherwise provided in s.23.33(4), Wis. Stats., no person may operate an ATV/UTV on the roadway portion of any highway in the town except on roadways that are designated as ATV/UTV vehicle routes by this ordinance. Operation of ATV/UTV's on a roadway in the town that is an ATV/UTV 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 this is safe given prevailing conditions.

**SECTION V – DESIGNATION OF ATV/UTV VEHICLE ROUTES**

The following are designated ATV/UTV routes in the Town of Namakagon:

1. Forest Rd. 193 Wilderness Rd. from Ashland County Line to Forest Rd. 191 Old Grade Rd.
2. Forest Rd. 191, Old Grade Rd., from County Highway M to Grand View Town Line.
3. Forest Rd. 341 Ehrman Rd. from Forest Rd. 191 Old Grade Rd. to Cty Hwy M.
4. Old Namakagon Rd. from transfer site road to Forest rd. 341 Ehrman Rd.
5. Garmisch Rd. from Birch Bend Rd. to Lakewoods via Marina Dr.
6. Forest Rd. 204 Ghost Creek Rd. from Cty Hwy M to Sawyer County/Spider Lake Town Line.
7. Forest Rd. 203 Lost Land Lake Rd. from Garmisch Rd. to Sawyer Cty/Spider Lake Town Line.
8. Forest Rd. 207 Rock Lake Rd. from Cty Hwy M to Sawyer County/Spider Lake Town Line.

9. Birch Bend Rd. from County Hwy D to County Hwy D.
10. Buffalo Lake Rd. to Forest Rd. 342 White Bass Lake Rd. to Ashland County Line.
11. Lake Five Rd.
12. East Lake Five Rd.
13. Girls Camp Rd.
14. Frels Rd. from Cty Hwy M to the town line.
15. Forest Rd. 1919, Job Corps Rd.
16. Forest Rd. 1740 Chippewa Landing Rd.
17. Crystal Lake Rd. from the town line to Junek's Point Rd.
18. Junek's Point Rd.
19. Birch Point Rd. to River Rd.
20. Dam Rd. from County Hwy M to Crystal Lake Rd.
21. Duck Point Rd.
22. Garden Lake Rd.
23. Crystal Lake Landing Rd.
24. FR1730.
25. Namakagon Sunset from Old Grade Rd. (FR 191) to Sunset Lane Speed limit 25mph on blacktop portion of road.
26. S. Garden Ave. from Namakagon Sunset to Lake Namakagon. Speed limit 25mph.
27. Harmon Drive
28. Circle Dr. S. from Junek's Point Road to Bay Drive
29. Bay Drive
30. Chicago Ave.
31. Sugar Bay Drive (approved 2/15/23)
32. Dodd Drive (approved 5/16/23)

#### **SECTION VI – CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO ATV/UTV ROUTES**

Pursuant to s.23.33(8)(d), Wis. Stats. the following restrictions are placed on the use of the town ATV/UTV routes designated by this ordinance:

A. Routes shall be marked with uniform ATV/UTV route signs in accordance with s.NR64.12(7), Wisconsin Administrative Code. No person may do any of the following in regard to signs marking ATV/UTV routes:

1. Install or place signs without written permission of the Town Board.
2. Intentionally remove, damage, deface, move or obstruct any uniform ATV/UTV route or trail sign or standard or intentionally interfere with the effective operation of any uniform ATV/UTV route or trail sign or standards if the sign or standard is legally placed by the state, any municipality or any authorized individual.
3. Possess any uniform ATV/UTV route or trail sign or standard of the type established by the department for the warning, instruction or information of the standard in a lawful manner. Possession of a uniform ATV/UTV 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, Wis. Stats., which is adopted as a part of this ordinance by reference, pursuant to s.23.33(11), Wis. Stats.

C. A copy of this ordinance shall be sent by the town clerk to the Bayfield County Sheriff's Department and Wisconsin DNR.

D. All ATV/UTV operators shall observe posted roadway speed limits unless and ATV/UTV specific speed limit is posted.

All ATV/UTV operators shall ride single file.

All ATV/UTV operators shall ride with head lights and tail lights on at all times.

All ATV/UTV operators shall slow the vehicle to 10mph or less within 100 feet of a pedestrian, bicyclist or any other non-motorized vehicle.

There is no residential access allowance to ride on a roadway from house to route. You must trailer the ATV/UTV to the route.

## **SECTION VII – ENFORCEMENT**

Any violations while operating ATV/UTV's on roads in the Town of Namakagon will be enforced by the Town of Namakagon Enforcement Officer or any law enforcement officer authorized to enforce the laws of the State of Wisconsin.

## **SECTION VIII – PENALTIES**

The penalties under s.23.33(13)(a), 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 is effective on publication or posting.


The town clerk shall properly publish or post this ordinance as required under s.60.80, Wis. Stats.

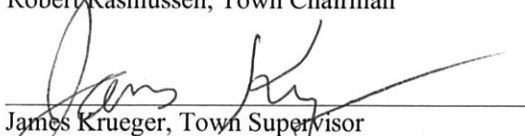
**This ordinance amends ATV Ordinances #32-32A through 32P**

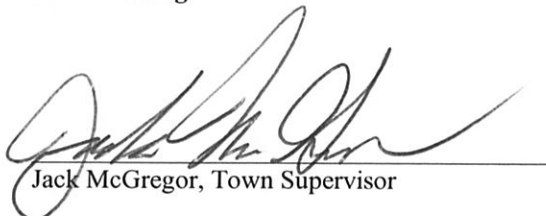
A copy of this ordinance shall be sent by the Town Clerk to the Bayfield County Sheriff's Department, the Law Enforcement Officer, the DNR and State Patrol.

**Adopted this 16<sup>th</sup> day of May 2023 at a regular Town Board meeting.**


By the Town Board:

  
Robert Rasmussen, Town Chairman

  
James Krueger, Town Supervisor

  
Jack McGregor, Town Supervisor

Attest:

  
Laura Bjork, Town Clerk

32 – November 14, 2000  
32A – May 8, 2001  
32B – September 11, 2001  
32C – May 11, 2006  
32D – September 15, 2010  
32E – June 14, 2011  
32F – November 13, 2012  
32G – May 12, 2013  
32H – August 20, 2018  
32I – October 9, 20018

32J – February 18, 2019  
32K – April 9, 2019  
32L – September 10, 2019  
32M – June 9, 2020  
32N – October 13, 2020  
32O – January 12, 2021  
32P – November 9, 2021  
32Q – February 15, 2023  
32R May 16, 2023