

**VILLAGE OF CLINTON, ROCK COUNTY, WISCONSIN
ORDINANCE 26 - 01**

AN ORDINANCE ADDING SECTION 32-23 TO THE VILLAGE OF CLINTON
CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 32 'MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC'
CREATING ATV/UTV ROUTES ON VILLAGE ROADS

NOW, THEREFORE, the Village Board of the Village of Clinton, County of Rock,
State of Wisconsin, ordains as follows:

SECTION I: Section 32-23 shall be added to Chapter 32 of the Village of Clinton
Code of Ordinances and shall be captioned "ATV/UTV ROUTES AND REGULATIONS."
It shall read as follows:

**SECTION 32-23
ATV/UTV ROUTES AND REGULATIONS**

SECTION 1. TITLE AND PURPOSE

The title of this section is "ATV/UTV Routes and Regulations." The purpose of this
section is to establish All-Terrain Vehicle ("ATV") and Utility Terrain Vehicle ("UTV")
routes in the Village of Clinton ("Village") and to regulate the operation of ATV/UTVs in
the Village.

SECTION 2. AUTHORITY AND GENERAL REGULATION

The Village Board of the Village of Clinton, Rock County, Wisconsin ("Village Board")
has the specific authority to adopt this ATV/UTV Routes and Regulations Ordinance
under Wis. Stats. §23.33 (8)(b) and (11). The Village Board retains the right to close any
Village road to ATV/UTV operation for any reason, including but not limited to special
events, unlawful use, and road construction or repair. Said closures of Village roads to
ATV/UTV use may occur without prior notice. The Village accepts no liability for the
operation of ATV/UTVs on any Village road under the provisions of this ordinance.
Operation of ATV/UTVs is at the operator's own risk. ATV/UTV operators within the
Village shall abide by all state, county, and local laws, and the applicable provisions of
Wis. Stat. §23.33 regulating ATV/UTV operations are adopted by reference and made part
of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. ROUTES

- A. The Village designates all Village roads within the Village as ATV/UTV routes.
- B. All county roadways located in the Village are hereby declared as ATV/UTV routes only if authorized by the County of Rock, and all state highways in the Village are declared as ATV/UTV routes only if authorized by the State of Wisconsin.
- C. All authorized ATV/UTV routes shall be signed in accordance with Wis. Stats. §23.33 (8)(e). The Village, or its designee, shall maintain all route signs within the Village. Any restrictions on authorized routes shall be designated by majority vote of the Village Board and shall be marked/signed accordingly.

SECTION 4. OPERATION OF ATV/UTVs

All ATV/UTV operators on Village routes must comply with the following conditions of operation:

- (1) ATV/UTV operators shall observe the posted roadway speed limits in the lane of travel.
- (2) ATV/UTV operators shall ride single file.
- (3) ATV/UTV operators are prohibited from riding on the shoulder of the road or in the ditch.
- (4) ATV/UTV operators shall have a valid ATV Safety Certificate, a valid Driver's License, and be at least sixteen (16) years of age.
- (5) ATV/UTV operators and riders under the age of eighteen (18) must wear a helmet.
- (6) ATV/UTVs shall have headlights, taillights, and brake lights on while operating on any Village route and must operate with a muffler that falls within the legal decibel limits.
- (7) ATV/UTV operators shall use hand signals if their machines are not equipped with turn signals.
- (8) ATV/UTVs shall be registered with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and have up-to-date stickers and license plates. The stickers and plates shall be placed on the vehicle as mandated by the most up to date Department of Natural Resources guidelines.

SECTION 5. ENFORCEMENT

This ordinance shall be enforced by any law enforcement officer authorized to enforce the laws of the Village of Clinton, Rock County, and/or the State of Wisconsin.

Consistent with Wis. Stat. §23.33(11)(b) the Village Clerk shall immediately send a copy of this ordinance to the Department of Natural Resources, the Wisconsin State Highway Patrol and to the Rock County Sheriff's Department.

SECTION 6. PENALTIES

Wisconsin state ATV/UTV penalties as found in Wis. Stat. §23.33(13)(a) are adopted by reference and made part of this ordinance.

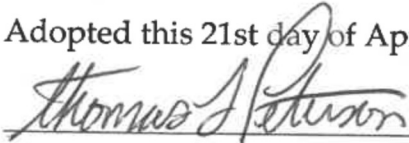
SECTION 7. SEVERABILITY

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 8. EFFECTIVE DATE

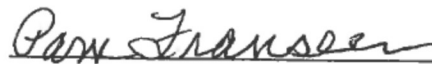
This ordinance shall take effect May 15, 2026, or after the Village of Clinton properly posts roadway signs throughout the Village designating Village ATV/UTV routes.

Adopted this 21st day of April 2026.



Thomas Peterson, Village Chairperson

ATTEST:



Pam Franseen, Village Clerk

