WHERE TO RIDE

1  PEMBINA GORGE STATE RECREATION AREA
Location: 120th Ave NE, Walhalla, ND 58282
Phone: 701-549-2444
The Pembina Gorge has over 15 miles of trails designed to accommodate all three classes of OHVs which are 60 inches wide or less and provides amazing views of the gorge. The trailhead provides parking for large trucks/trailers and restrooms.

2  ROUGHRIDER OHV TRAIL
Location: Little Heart Bottoms Shooting Range, 14 miles south of Mandan, ND along HWY 1806
Phone: 701-328-5357
The Roughrider Trail is an OHV trail that can accommodate most current side by sides, there is access to fishing, camping and other recreation opportunities along the trail.

3  TURTLE MOUNTAIN STATE RECREATION AREA
Location: Intersection of 103rd St NE and Sjule Road, six miles northwest of Bottineau, ND
Phone: 701-263-4651
The hilly terrain and heavy woodland cover provide a unique landscape in North Dakota. The Turtle Mountain OHV area is open to all OHVs and has over 10 miles of trails and additional play areas. The OHV area trailhead has parking for large trailers.

4  KIMBALL BOTTOMS RECREATION AREA
Location: Desert Road, eight miles south of Bismarck, ND
Phone: 701-549-2444
Also known as The Desert, this 400-acre motorized recreation area is managed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

5  LITTLE MISSOURI NATIONAL GRASSLAND
Location: Western North Dakota
Phone: 701-227-7800
This grassland managed by the U.S. Forest Service has over 1,000 miles of country roads to explore with a variety of topography. Scenic routes wind through beautiful prairie, ranch lands, badlands and even bring you to the top of Square Butte with amazing views. Ride near Theodore Roosevelt National Park or head toward the historic town of Medora.

The North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department’s facilities, programs and employment opportunities are open to all, regardless of age, sex, race, color, disability, religion, national origin or political affiliation. Contact the NDPRD if you need accommodations for a disability or an alternate format of this publication.

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**LAWS & REGULATIONS**

**NORTH DAKOTA RESIDENTS**
Registration is required to operate any off-highway vehicle (OHV) on public lands.
- The registration fee for resident OHVs operating on public lands and trails is $20 and is available through ND DOT.

**NON-RESIDENTS**
Non-resident riders are required to purchase a non-resident public trails and lands access permit.
- The permit fee for a non-resident is $10 per year and is valid from January 1–December 31.
- Permits can be purchased at any ND state park, by phone at 701-328-5357, or online at travel.parkrecnd.com by clicking Permits.

Some OHVs are exempt from registration. Please visit N.D.C.C. §39-29 for description of exceptions.

For more information on registration regulations contact the North Dakota Department of Transportation.

**REQUIRED EQUIPMENT**
An individual can operate an off-highway vehicle on a right-of-way (ditch) and trails only if it is equipped with the following equipment, all of which must be in working order.
- One head lamp (class II and III)
- One tail lamp (class II and III)
- A muffler that is in good working order and connected to the off-highway vehicle’s exhaust system

An individual can operate an off-highway vehicle on a roadway (paved and loose surface) only if it is equipped with the following equipment, all of which must be in working order. This includes all classes of OHVs.
- One head lamp
- One horn audible at 200 feet under normal conditions
- One tail lamp
- Speedometer/odometer
- One brake light
- One mirror
- Motor with a minimum of 350 cubic centimeters

**WHERE YOU MAY RIDE**
- A paved highway posted with a speed limit not exceeding 55 miles per hour.
- A licensed driver over 16 years of age may operate a registered Class III OHV on a paved highway designated and posted at a speed not exceeding 65 miles per hour (to operate on these highways, the class III OHV must be able to attain a speed of at least 30 MPH).
- The highway right of way (bottom of the ditch or along the outslope). It is illegal to operate on the shoulder or inside slope.
- A gravel, dirt, or loose surface roadway.
- Private lands with the landowner permission.
- Lands designated as OHV trails or riding areas.

Before riding on county and township roads, please check with local law enforcement as local ordinances may be more restrictive than state law.

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**
- Drivers must be at least 12 years old and possess an OHV safety certificate to operate an off-highway vehicle on public lands.
- Helmets are required of all users under 18 years of age.
- Driver must obey all traffic regulations.
- Operator must be able to provide proof of liability insurance coverage.

**SAFETY COURSE**
North Dakota law requires youth ages 12-15 who do not have a valid driver’s license or learner’s permit to take a safety certification class. The certification is needed in order to legally operate OHVs on land other than their parent’s which includes designated OHV trails and ditches.

In order to become certified:
- Be at least 12 years of age
- Attend a scheduled classroom or hands-on class in your area or take the online certification course from home.
- Successfully complete the safety certification test online at: www.parkrec.nd.gov/motorized-safety