

ATV RiderCourse Information

NOTE

The following is applicable to ATV RiderCourses that are available thru a program administered by the All Terrain Vehicle Association of Nova Scotia (ATVANS).

ATV RiderCourse applicants under the age of 18 must have the written consent of a parent or their legal guardian. The parent or legal guardian must sign the Participant Waiver form prior to course commencement.

Children Between 6 and 11 Years of Age

A child who had his/her 6th birthday but has not had his/her 12th birthday can apply for and participate in an ATV RiderCourse, if the following conditions are met:

- 1 A parent or legal guardian who is a paid-up member of ATVANS sponsors the applicant.
- 2 He/she uses an ATV that is rated at less than 70cc during the course.
- 3 The class size is limited to a maximum of four participants (not including attending adults) and the class does not contain a participant who is 12 years of age or older.
- 4 A parent, guardian or other responsible adult (one for each participant) is in attendance while the course is being conducted.

Youths Between 12 and 15 Years of Age

A youth who had his/her 12th birthday but has not had his/her 16th birthday can apply for and participate in an ATV RiderCourse, if the following conditions are met:

- 1 A parent or legal guardian who is a paid-up member of ATVANS sponsors the applicant.
- 2 He/she uses an ATV that is rated at not more than 90cc during the course.
- 3 The class size is limited to a maximum of six participants (may include participants who are 16 years of age and older).

NOTE

The Nova Scotia OHV Act states that a parent or the legal guardian, of children between the ages of 6 and 15 who operates an ATV, must have completed an ATV RiderCourse and be in possession of a valid ATV Safety Training Certificate.

It also states that children between the ages of 6 and 13 can only drive on a closed course, and then only while driving the right size ATV and under direct supervision of a parent/legal guardian who has a valid ATV Safety Training Certificate. An exception is when an instructor is supervising them during training.

ATVANS does not require the sponsoring parent/guardian of children/youths between the age of six and fifteen to have an ATV Safety Training Certificate before their sons/daughters participate in an ATV RiderCourse.

It is recommended a parent/legal guardian of a child between the ages of 6 and 11 obtain the required ATV Safety Training Certificate prior to enrolling the child in an ATV RiderCourse.

It is recommended a parent or legal guardian of a child between the age of 12 and 15 obtain an ATV Safety Training Certificate by enrolling in the same ATV RiderCourse as their child.

Adults 16 Years of Age and Older

Any individual who is 16 years of age or older can apply for and participate in an ATV RiderCourse, if the following conditions are met:

- 1 Applicants under the age of 18 have the written consent of a parent or their legal guardian.
- 2 Applicants are a paid-up member of ATVANS.
- 3 Applicants are the spouse or dependent child of a paid-up ATVANS member, there is only one ATV in the household and it is registered in the name of the ATVANS member.

NOTE

If an ATVANS member has more than one ATV registered in his/her name, all the ATVs are required to have an ATVANS Trail Permit. The member's spouse or a dependent child over 16 can be declared as the principal operator of each ATV in excess of one and they will be considered to be a paid-up member of ATVANS.

Cost of ATV Rider/Course

The current cost of an ATV RiderCourse under this program is \$50.00 per participant, if you meet one of the following requirements:

- 1 You are a paid-up ATVANS member.
- 2 You are between the ages of 6 and 15 and you are being sponsored by a parent or legal guardian who is a paid-up ATVANS member.
- 3 You fall under condition '3' for "Adults 16 Years of Age or Older" and you are being sponsored by the spouse/parent who is a paid-up ATVANS member.

Cost of ATVANS Membership

If applied and paid for on-line, the cost of an ATVANS membership is \$35.00. This fee includes a membership in the ATV club of your choice. Both memberships are valid for the balance of the calendar year.

If you join an ATV club that is affiliated with ATVANS, their membership fee will include a membership in ATVANS. The ATVANS portion is currently \$20.00, but since each club sets its own membership fee, the ATV club you join will determine your total annual cost.