



**Roosevelt Fire District**  
Standard Operating Guidelines

**Section:**  
**Operations**

**Guideline 21:**  
**ATV/UTV Operation**

**Purpose:** This guideline was created to ensure firefighter safety while operating UTV/ ATVs.

**Scope:** This procedure applies to all members of the Roosevelt Fire District.

**Training:** All members who operate the Roosevelt Fire District ATV/UTV shall be trained on its use and operation before being approved to operate it. A list of all qualified operators shall be maintained by the Chief of the Department

**Procedure:**

1. Perform a pre-ride inspection before vehicle operation
2. Check fuel level before and after use
3. Do not drive the ATV/UTV where there is a steep slope (vehicle is top heavy)
4. Do not allow passengers except in an emergency (deemed so by the Incident Commander), or the vehicle has a passenger seat and seatbelts
5. Start vehicle in Park with Handbrake secured.
6. Use low gear when operating vehicle off-road
7. Drivers and passengers must always keep arms and legs within the confines of the vehicle
8. Any equipment stored or carried in rear area shall be secured
9. Proper PPE shall be worn, when using the vehicle
10. If the ATV/UTV is to be loaded or unloaded when the trailer is not connected to a vehicle, ensure the rear stabilizing legs are in the down position first and wheels are chocked.