

**TOWN OF BRISTOL
ORDINANCE 50.09**

**REGULATING THE OPERATION OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES AND UTILITY
TERRAIN VEHICLES ON TOWN ROADS**

WHEREAS, section 23.33(11) of the Wisconsin Statutes authorizes the Town to designate routes within the Town for use by all-terrain vehicles (“ATVs”) and utility terrain vehicles (“UTVs”); and


WHEREAS, after review and recommendation from town staff, the Town Board deems it to be in the public interest to designate routes and regulate the operation of ATVs and UTVs on town roads.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Town Board of the Town of Bristol, Dane County, Wisconsin, does hereby ordain as follows:

- A. Section 50.09 of the Town Code of Ordinances is hereby created as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto.
- B. All other provisions of the Code of Ordinances not specifically amended herein shall remain unmodified and in full force and effect.
- C. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.

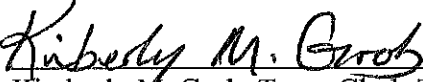
The above and foregoing ordinance was duly adopted at a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Bristol on the 10 day of June, 2025, by a vote of 3 in favor and 0 opposed.

TOWN OF BRISTOL



Brian Willison, Town Chairman

Attested by:



Kimberly M. Grob, Town Clerk-Treasurer

EXHIBIT A

Sec. 50.09 Operation of All-Terrain and Utility Terrain Vehicles on Town Roads

- (1) **Statement of Purpose.** This ordinance is intended to establish and maintain all-terrain vehicle ("ATV") and utility terrain vehicle ("UTV") routes in the Town of Bristol and to regulate the operation of same upon such routes.
- (2) **Authority.** The Town Board of the Town of Bristol, Dane County, Wisconsin, has the specific authority to adopt this ordinance under Wis. Stats. § 23.33(11), Wis. Stats.
- (3) **State Statutes Adopted by Reference.** The provisions of Wis. Stats. § 23.33, and Ch. NR 64, Wis. Admin. Code are hereby adopted and by reference made a part of this ordinance as if fully set forth herein. Unless otherwise provided in this ordinance, any act required to be performed or prohibited by any statute or regulation incorporated herein by reference is required or prohibited by this ordinance. Any future amendments, revisions, or modifications of the statutes or regulations herein are made as part of this ordinance. Any terms used in this ordinance that are defined in Wis. Stats. § 23.33(1), Wis. Stats., shall have the meaning prescribed by statute.
- (4) **ATV/UTV Routes Designated.** Pursuant to Wis. Stats. § 23.33(8)(b)(1), Wis. Stats., the Town of Bristol designates all Town roads within the Town of Bristol as ATV/UTV routes.
- (5) **Route Signs.** Under the direction of the Town, all authorized ATV/UTV routes shall be designated by route signs in accordance with Ch. NR 64.12, Wis. Admin. Code. The route signs shall be inspected by the Town annually.
- (6) **Conditions.** In addition to the provisions of Wis. Stats. § 23.33, Wis. Stats., and Ch. NR 64.07, Wis. Admin. Code, the following restrictions are placed on the use of the ATV/UTV routes permitted under this section:
 - (a) All ATV and UTV operators shall be at least 16 years of age and possess a valid operator's license as defined in Wis. Stats. § 340.01(41g), Wis. Stats., as may be amended from time to time, including a safety certificate if required by State law. A learner's permit shall not be considered as a valid driver's license nor shall any license that has been revoked, temporarily or otherwise, or suspended for any reason, be considered as a valid driver's license during the period of suspension or revocation.
 - (b) All ATV and UTV operators shall observe the posted speed limits and all other applicable traffic regulations.
 - (c) The operators of ATVs/UTVs shall ride in single file.
 - (d) ATV/UTV headlamps and tail lamps must be turned on at all times and ATV/UTVs must have operational brake lights.
 - (e) All UTV operators and passengers must wear seat belts at all times.
 - (f) All Town designated ATV/UTV routes are closed between 11:00pm and 5:00am every day of the year.
- (7) **Enforcement.** This ordinance may be enforced by any law enforcement officer authorized to enforce the laws of the state of Wisconsin.
- (8) **Violations and Penalties.** Any person who shall violate any provision of this ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, forfeit not more than \$250, together with the costs of prosecution.
- (9) **Severability.** If any section, clause, provision or portion of this ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall not be affected.