

**Wesleyan Woods Camp
2015 ORV/Golf Cart Guidelines/Rules**

In accordance with the State of Michigan, the following rules have been implemented.

Wesleyan Woods Campground is private property and grants permission to operate an ORV or Golf Cart on the property as long as the rules set by the campground are followed.

Remember...

The parents or legal guardians of a child under the age of 16 are legally responsible if they permit the child under their care to violate any of the ORV laws. The owner (or person in control) of an ORV is also responsible if his or her ORV is operated by a youngster.

Summary of Young Operator Regulations as Posted by the State of Michigan

	Age of ORV Operator (years)			
	Under 10	10-11	12-15	16 or older
Allowed to operate a 3 wheel ATV?	No	No	No	Yes
Allowed to operate a 4 wheel ATV?	No except on private land while performing farm-related work operations	No except on land owned by the parent or guardian, under visual supervision, and with ORV certificate	Yes if under visual supervision and with ORV certificate	Yes
Allowed to operate other ORVs (trail bikes, etc.)?	Yes if under visual supervision and with ORV certificate	Yes if under visual supervision and with ORV certificate	Yes if under visual supervision and with ORV certificate	Yes
Allowed to cross street or highway?	No	No	Yes if under visual supervision and with ORV certificate	Yes
Age and Engine Size: For your child's safety and comfort, you must match your child with an ORV that is appropriate for his or her size and experience level.				

Link to: The Official Michigan Off-Road Safety Handbook; <http://www.offroad-ed.com/michigan/handbook/>

Registration and Liability

1. All ATV, Dirt Bikes, UTVs (side-by-side), go-carts/dune buggies and Golf Carts must be registered with the office upon arrival.
2. A Liability Form must be filled out with a list of all operators. Those over 18 must sign for themselves; those less than 18 yrs. of age must be signed by a parent or legal guardian.
3. Upon registration, all riders must present either a valid driver's license or ORV safety certificate. Copies will be made and placed with the registration. Riders that do not have a safety certificate will not be allowed to ride on Wesleyan Woods property.

Golf Carts and UTVs (side by sides)

1. Only licensed drivers or operators with a learner's permit can operate a Golf Cart/UTV inside the campground. Operators with a learner's permit must be accompanied by a licensed adult over 21.
2. Golf Carts may not be driven after dark unless equipped with headlights and should be driven only on the roadways.
3. Golf Carts are allowed on the trails at their own risk. Wesleyan Woods is not responsible if your cart gets stuck or any damage that may occur.
4. UTVs (side by sides) will be treated as Golf Carts and will be allowed to operate inside the camping area.
5. The posted speed limit is 5 mph inside the camp.

ATVs /Dirt Bikes

1. All riders must wear a helmet.
2. For rules on riders less than 12 years old please refer to the age chart above.
3. Riders less than 16 years of age must be in direct supervision by an adult (over 21 yrs.) when riding.
4. Only machines designated as a Two-Person machine is allowed to carry a passenger. Current Manufacturers of 2 person ATVs are Arctic Cat, Can-Am, Polaris and some off-brands. Japanese Manufacturers (Honda, Kawasaki, Suzuki, and Yamaha) DO NOT have a 2-seater in their line-up. No exceptions.
5. Only ride in designated areas. Maps are available at the office.
6. All ATV/dirt bikes must have a U.S. Forest Service-approved spark arrestor and muffler in good working condition, in constant operation, and meeting applicable sound-level standards.

Go-carts/Dune buggies

1. Classification: A Go-cart usually has Briggs & Stratton or Kohler motor which is classified by a horsepower rating. A dune buggy is classified by the size of the motor in CCs, normally 150cc or 250cc.
2. All riders must wear a helmet regardless if they have a roll cage or seatbelts.
3. Go-carts are to be ridden on the beginner track.
4. Dune buggies can be ridden on the trails and in the sand pit.
5. Age restrictions do apply to go-carts and dune buggies.

Beginner Track

1. The purpose of the Beginner Track is to provide an area for those under 12 or inexperienced riders a place to learn how to safely operate an ATV/dirt bike in a controlled environment.
2. Parental or legal guardian direct supervision is REQUIRED (no exceptions).
3. More experienced riders cannot use the track. The track is not for racing.
4. There will be no jumping at the beginner track allowed.
5. Go-carts are allowed on the beginner track
6. Bicycles can use the area when it is not in use.
7. No more than 3 ORVs at one time allowed on the track. All riders must follow the same in the same direction. The preferred direction is marked.

ORV Trails

1. The trails are open from 10am until 7pm during the camping season. Trails are open from May 15th until Sept. 15th.
2. The trails are closed during EMD Family Camp Week, the 3-D archery weekend, the Hunter's Retreat Weekend.
3. The campground reserves the right to close a portion or all of the trails due to severe weather or if trails are in unsafe conditions (example: down trees or wash outs).
4. Be mindful of other riders while on the trails. Pedestrians and golf carts use the trails as well. Anyone operating an ATV/ dirt bike in an unsafe manner will be asked to leave immediately.

Staging Area/Parking

1. The Staging Area is marked on the camp map. One can load and unload their machines. This area is also to park the ORV trailers and it will have a wash station set up to clean people and machines. A hitching post/cable is available to secure your machines. You must provide your own lock and chain.
2. ORV trailers can be parked in the Wesley Center or Dining Hall parking lots. The area around the nursery IS NOT a designated parking area.
3. Parking behind the dining hall or along the canal road is no longer allowed. Food plots are planted on both sides of the road where it permits. The designated parking area is posted.

Exceptions

1. Any exceptions will be in writing and signed by either the Camp Director or Trail Supervisor.
2. Any written exceptions must be presented when asked by a staff member.
3. Failure to provide any written proof will result in the machine being parked for the remainder of the stay.

Warnings/Enforcement of Rules

1. Reading this document is the first warning.
2. Second Warning results in being asked to trailer the machine for the remainder of the weekend.
3. Third Warning results in a ban for the remaining season and record on file in office.
4. Failure to follow any rule will result in the loss of any registration fees paid.
5. Wesleyan Woods staff has the authority to enforce the rules and to question if they feel a rule is being broken.