

Other Recreational Vehicles

Designated Non-Use Area – shall mean that area south of a straight line running from east to west at the 16700 block, starting at the Rum River on the east and running to the City of Elk River border on the west. Within the Non-Use Area, access to Elmcrest Park and Central Park will be made and restricted to loading and unloading of snowmobiles and ATV's in the parking lots only. A designated route from the parking lot will be clearly posted to allow access to 167th Ave from Elmcrest Park. A designated route from the parking lot of Central Park will be clearly posted to allow access to Armstrong Blvd for direct northbound travel to the Designated Use Area.

Designated Use Area – shall mean the area north of a straight line running from east to west at the 16700 block, starting at the Rum River on the east and running to the City of Elk River border on the west.

In addition to snowmobiles and all-terrain vehicles, the City of Ramsey also includes off-highway motorcycles, mini bikes, and go-carts in the definition of recreational vehicles. **Only those vehicles that can be registered with the State of Minnesota for “off-road use” can be operated off private property.**

When can I ride my recreational vehicle?

- Between the hours of 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM Sunday through Thursday.
- Between the hours of 8:00 AM Friday to 1:00 AM Saturday.
- Between the hours of 8:00 AM Saturday to 1:00 AM Sunday.
- From November 1 to March 31, you cannot operate a recreational vehicle off your property or the property of another that you have written permission to be on, unless there is a **minimum of six (6) inches of snow cover** on the ground.

Where can I ride my recreational vehicle in the Designated Use Area?

- You can ride on your own property.
- On the property of another person if you have IN YOUR POSSESSION written permission of the owner of that land.
- On the land of a person who has clearly posted visible signs stating “recreational vehicles allowed”.
- When being used for maintenance or plowing.
- You can operate on public trails that are designated by the City Council.

Where can I ride my recreational vehicle in the Designated Non-Use Area?

- You can ride on your own property or the property of another with written permission if the property is greater than two and one-half (2 1/2) acres.
- When being used for maintenance or plowing.
- On public trails that are designed by the City Council.

Where is it illegal to ride my recreational vehicle?

- On your own property or the property of another, if the property is less than two and one-half (2 ½) acres within the non-use area.
- On someone's land without his or her permission.
- City Parks except for loading and unloading of recreational vehicles in designated parking lots.
- Railroad right-of-ways.
- Golf Courses, unless designated as a trail or route.

- School grounds.
- Tree Nurseries or planted areas.
- In the median or area between opposing lanes of traffic.

Can I have a trail on my own property?

- Tracks or trails (courses built or created by a repetitive or continued use of a recreational vehicle) are not allowed in a residential area unless they are 1,000 feet from any residence except that of the owner; and at least 50 feet from property lines, public streets, utilities or easements. Ramsey City Ordinance 30-3 (33).

What are my rights as a landowner regarding the road rights-of-way?

- Although a landowner maintains the road right-of-way, they are publicly owned. Therefore, landowners CANNOT place barricades, fences, posts, or other objects, including snow piles, in the right-of-way. If they place such items in the right-of-way they are subject to civil liability in the event these items cause injury to persons or damage to a vehicle.

Where can I get more information on recreational vehicle regulations?

For more information on recreational vehicles visit the MN DNR website at www.dnr.state.mn.us or contact the Ramsey Police Department at (763) 427-6812.