

SAFETY BRIEFING and OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS for Arizona Offroad Tours, LLC

PLEASE NOTE: **No one under the age of 16 can operate/drive these ATVs without a valid driver's license or permit, and written indemnity from Parent, Guardian or Custodian of Minor. The following document is what we give to each Rider**

Operations:

All ATVs are fully automatic. They have a neutral, forward gears of low and high, plus a reverse. Parking Brake is set and must be released after ATV has been placed into gear. All ATVs are electric start and I have been instructed on how to start my ATV. Initial here _____

Brakes:

Warning: Please do not rest your foot on the rear brake pedal. Be sure to be careful when releasing the parking brake. For best braking action, please always use your front and back brakes in unison (at the same time). Nice even applying of brakes and gas is always the best approach. Please be sure to look at your footing when approaching the quads when getting on and ALWAYS look to the ground before exiting off your quad. Please get on and off your quad from the left side only. Initial here _____

Throttle/gas:

Gas: Your gas throttle is a thumb control on the right side of handle bars. Do NOT gun the throttle. "NICE and EASY" is the best philosophy.

Steering: Both hands are needed on the handle bar at all times. Do not attempt to drive one handed. For smaller individuals or younger adults, please lock your arms and use your upper body to provide the torque necessary to drive. Initial here _____

Single file formation:

We will ride in a single file column formation. Do not pass, do not drop back and then speed up, and do not leave the trail (unless designated by your guide). We practice a "Tread Lightly" policy. Please keep a distance of no less than 20-30 feet between the ATV's on the trails/dirt roads. The strongest driver will take the last position with your lights ON. If you notice something needing attention, please flash your lights on and off till you get the guides attention to stop the others in tour. If you can't see the quad behind you, STOP. Please turn your light on, to let the guide know. Never leave an intersection without the quad behind knowing/seeing you and following behind you. Never go through an intersection if you are in doubt of which direction others went.

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COMMUNICATIONS/HAND SIGNALS

The appropriate hand signals will all be explained and used throughout the duration of your tour. Turning left, right, slow down, caution, back off, and come to a complete stop. Your tour guide will let you know when to stop engine and remind you of parking brake procedures. Please, always pass these signals back to the people behind you. Initial here _____

SPEED

Your guide will set the speed maximums, as you are not allowed to pass them. Drivers are to drive at their comfort level and no faster. Please do not feel that you have to absolutely do the same speed as your guide, but it is not allowed to trail in excessive

distance behind either. When/if we go through water, please be respectful of the person behind you and do not HURRY through the water. Just take it nice and easy!

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WILDLIFE/SNAKES

More than likely we will encounter some kind of wildlife. We honor these critters, and we will wait for them to pass or until it's good for us to go around them. Snakes... we definitely go around those! Please try to stay at least a distance of 20' away from them & if you must pass one, drive with a wheel on either side.

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CONDITIONS

ATVs want to drift downhill on sloped trails and/or roads. Apply torque (turning power) as needed to keep ATV where you want it on the slope, hillside, trail, creek, etc. NEVER stick your legs out. Driver's weight goes to the uphill side and/or the inside of any turn. Your feet and legs are always kept on the foot platforms. Valleys, ridges, dips – center your wheels in order to keep ATV level. If you encounter a "funky" angle – stop, hold brakes and then lean to the highest side of the ATV. Big rocks – not all can be straddled, some you will need to approach both front wheels going over together. Remain level! For our younger drivers: ALWAYS remain alert and ready to take control. Parents, and/or those who ride double w/a youth or smaller person, you are to move down and forward on the ATV seat. On the ATVs that hold more than 1 person, there are separate foot platforms for both driver & rider. Stay away from the edge of trails or dirt roads. A lot of roads/trails have a drainage ditch, so the sides can be dangerous. Be cautious!

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RECKLESS DRIVING

Your safety is our utmost concern and we want to keep it just that way, SAFE. Please refrain from doing the following: Dropping back and racing to catch up, no sliding through turns, no breaking traction – otherwise known as jumping, and no passing. ATVs are not toys and this is not a race. Enjoy! Ride for Fun! Ride Safe!

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EQUIPMENT

We supply helmets and goggles for your safety, and these must be worn at all times. These will be returned to your guide at the end of the tour. Custom AOT bandanas are provided. You are not required to wear them, however we recommend you use them to filter the dust you may inhale. At the end of the tour the bandana is yours to keep!

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I have read these safety and operating instructions. I understand what has been said & I have no further questions.

Signature _____ Date _____ Print Name _____

Guide tips are not included in your base price. Please, if you enjoyed your ride & time with us, tip your guide.

