

HOW NEW ARIZONA OHV DECAL REQUIREMENTS RELATE TO VEHICLE OPERATION IN CALIFORNIA

Type of OHV identification	Visual	LEGAL IN CALIFORNIA?	LEGAL IN ARIZONA
AZ RV PLATE (title plate) No AZ OHV Decal		<p>Starting 7/1/09 must purchase CA OHV Non-Resident Permit (Valid <u>only</u> for OFF-HIGHWAY use)</p> <p><i>Note:</i> Operators of vehicles over 1800lbs are NOT able to purchase an AZ OHV Decal so they must purchase a CA OHV Non-Resident Permit for OFF-HIGHWAY use in CA.</p>	<p><i>Vehicles under 1800lbs:</i> NOT VALID for ON or OFF-HIGHWAY use. Must have an AZ OHV Decal starting 1/1/09.</p> <p><i>Vehicles over 1800lbs:</i> Valid <u>only</u> for OFF-HIGHWAY use in unincorporated areas on dirt roads not maintained by state, city, town, or counties of the state; or roads/trails on federal land that do not require vehicle registration (street legal/licensed). Recreational Use Permit needed if operated on State Trust Land.</p>
AZ RV PLATE (title plate) Valid AZ OHV Decal		<p>Valid <u>only</u> for OFF-HIGHWAY use.</p>	<p>Valid <u>only</u> for OFF-HIGHWAY use in unincorporated areas on dirt roads not maintained by state, city, town, or counties of the state.</p> <p><i>Note:</i> Operators of vehicles over 1800lbs are NOT able to purchase an AZ OHV Decal. Recreational Use Permit needed to stage (park) on State Trust Land.</p>
AZ MC PLATE (small registration plate). Operator pays full registration fees. No AZ OHV Decal.		<p>Valid <u>only</u> for OFF-HIGHWAY use. (Exception for Arizona registered motorcycles used primarily on-highway are valid for ON or OFF-HIGHWAY use*)</p>	<p>Valid for ON or OFF-HIGHWAY use for vehicles not required to have the OHV Decal** Recreational Use Permit needed if operated on State Trust Land.</p>
AZ MC PLATE (small registration plate) Operator may pay reduced VLT. Valid OHV decal.		<p>Valid <u>only</u> for OFF-HIGHWAY use. Exception for Arizona registered motorcycles used primarily on-highway are valid for ON or OFF-HIGHWAY use*)</p>	<p>Valid for ON or OFF-HIGHWAY use.**</p> <p><i>Note:</i> Operators of vehicles over 1800lbs are NOT able to purchase an AZ OHV Decal. These vehicles will display the full sized license plate. Recreational Use Permit needed to stage (park) on State Trust Land.</p>
CA Green or Red Identification Sticker (CA resident)		<p>Valid <u>only</u> for OFF-HIGHWAY use.</p>	<p>Valid <u>only</u> for OFF-HIGHWAY use for a maximum of 30 consecutive days.</p>
CA OHV Non-Resident Permit		<p>Valid <u>only</u> for OFF-HIGHWAY use.</p>	<p><u>Not valid</u> for ON or OFF-HIGHWAY use.</p>

*For the purposes of valid use in California, “dual-sport motorcycle” is a common term used to describe a motorcycle that is designed by the manufacture for use on off-highway trails and has the necessary equipment and registration for legal highway operation. These vehicles will generally display street legal license plates and registration. Each state may have specific restrictions on dual-sport motorcycle conversions. In California the term dual sport only applies to motorcycles and not an All-Terrain Vehicle, dune buggy or other types of OHVs. A dual-sport motorcycle that is registered street legal/highway licensed in Arizona is legal in California for operation on and off of the highways.

**Highway use is only valid if the vehicle is properly equipped and insured for highway use as required by state law. Some vehicles may be capable of being registered through Arizona Motor Vehicle Division (MVD), but may not be legal to operate on all roadways in Arizona.

Note:



The **Arizona Title Plate (“Off-Road” or “RV” plate)** is only an indication that the vehicle has been titled in the State of Arizona. It is NOT a registration plate and does not allow you to ride or drive on roads that require your vehicle to be registered (street legal/licensed). However, there are exemptions for incidental use on roads requiring registration (street legal/licensed vehicles). In general, incidental use would be crossing a street or conducting very limited travel on it for the purpose of access to OHV area/trails. Check with the local land management agency for information on road status.



The Arizona **Registration Plate (“MC”)** is a vehicle registration plate. You must be licensed to drive/ride on-highway. A good rule of thumb is if a passenger car can use the road, your vehicle will need to be registered. If your vehicle weigh less than 1800lbs, and was designed by the manufacturer primarily for travel over unimproved terrain you also need an OHV Decal to operate on public and state trust lands.



The **Arizona OHV Decal** shall be affixed to the upper left corner of the license plate.

Recreational Use Permit on Arizona State Trust Land: The Arizona OHV Decal allows crossing Arizona State Trust Land on authorized routes while riding a vehicle that weights less than 1800 pounds. An Arizona State Land Department recreational Use Permit is required for any other recreational activities on State Trust Land. For details on an ASLD Recreation Permit, download a permit application online at http://www.land.state.az.us/programs/natural/recreation_permit.htm. You may also visit the State Land Department office at 1616 W. Adams St., Phoenix, AZ 85007 or call the Arizona State Land Department at (602) 542-4631.