



Multipurpose Vehicle(s) Information Sheet

➔ **Effective Date:** January 1, 2008

➔ **Purpose of Law:**

- 1.) Provide definition of multipurpose vehicle;
- 2.) Provide for issuance of titles and registration;
- 3.) Provide for registration fees and display of plates.
- 4.) Provide for equipment and operation of multipurpose vehicles.

➔ **Definition:** ** “Multipurpose vehicle” means a motor vehicle that is:

- 1.) designed to travel on at least four (4) wheels in contact with the ground, and
- 2.) has an unladen (empty) weight of at least three hundred (300) pounds but less than three thousand (3000) pounds,
- 3.) has a permanent upright seat or saddle for the driver which is mounted at least twenty-four (24) inches from the ground, and
- 4.) has an identifying number as defined by W.S. 31-1-101(a)(ix)



**** EXAMPLES;**

- a.) Off-Road Recreational Vehicles
- b.) Electric Powered Vehicles
- c.) Golf Carts Included: ****EXCEPT**** Golf carts are not included when they are being used to transport an occupant directly to, or from or on a golf course, or is being used for special events or circumstances authorized by the city, town or county.
- d.) Any other motor vehicle meeting the criteria of a multipurpose vehicle and not otherwise defined in W. S. 31-1-101.

➔ **Registration:**

- 1.) After a certificate of title has been issued by the County Clerk, an applicant for registration of a multipurpose vehicle shall upon receipt of an approved application, payment of proper fees and proof of insurance, obtain one multipurpose license plate from the County Treasurer.



- 2.) The plate shall be conspicuously displayed and securely fastened to be plainly visible on the rear of the multipurpose vehicle.

➔ **Driver License:** Any person licensed to drive ANY class of vehicle pursuant to Wyoming statutes may also drive a multipurpose vehicle upon the public streets or highways of the state.

➔ **Operation:** Multipurpose vehicles may be operated on public streets or highways, subject to the following provisions:

- 1.) Multipurpose vehicles shall not be operated on interstate highways;
- 2.) If a multipurpose vehicle is incapable of achieving the maximum speed allowed on the specific highway, it shall be operated on the extreme right hand edge of the roadway and shall be equipped with either a reflectorized flag as described in W. S. 31-5-960 (a)(vi) or a slow moving vehicle emblem as described in W. S. 31-5-921 (h);
- 3.) Multipurpose vehicles designed for operation at speeds of twenty-five (25) miles per hour or less shall be equipped with a slow moving vehicle emblem as described in W. S. 31-5-921 (h).



➔ **Vehicle Dealer License:** Pursuant to W. S. 31-16-102; A person who buys and sells or exchanges retail three (3) or more vehicles in any twelve (12) consecutive month period is required to obtain a vehicle dealer license.

General Equipment Requirements:

>> All Equipment Shall Comply With The Regulations Of The Wyoming Transportation Department <<

- **Head Lamps:** A.) A multipurpose vehicle that is **GREATER** than fifty (50) inches in width, shall be equipped with a least two (2) head lamps with at least one (1) on each side of the front of the multipurpose vehicle.
B.) A multipurpose vehicle that is fifty (50) inches or **LESS** in width, shall be equipped with a least one (1) head lamp.
- **Tail Lamps:** A.) A multipurpose vehicle which is **GREATER** than fifty (50) inches in width, shall be equipped with at least two (2) tail lamps mounted on the rear.
B.) A multipurpose vehicle which is fifty (50) inches or **LESS** in width, shall be equipped with at least one (1) tail lamp mounted on the rear.
- **Reflectors:** A.) A multipurpose vehicle which is **GREATER** than fifty (50) inches in width, shall be equipped with at least two (2) red reflectors mounted on the rear, either as a part of the tail lamps or separately.
B.) A multipurpose vehicle which is fifty (50) inches or **LESS** in width, shall be equipped with at least one (1) red reflector mounted on the rear, either as part of the tail lamp or separately.
- **Stop Lamps:** A.) A multipurpose vehicle which is **GREATER** than fifty (50) inches in width, shall be equipped with at least two (2) stop lamps mounted on the rear.
B.) A multipurpose vehicle which is fifty (50) inches or **LESS** in width, shall be equipped with at least one (1) stop lamp mounted on the rear.
- **Brakes:** A multipurpose vehicle shall be equipped with a braking system which will stop the vehicle within forty (40) feet from an initial speed of twenty (20) miles per hour on a level, dry, smooth, hard surface. The multipurpose vehicle shall also be equipped with a parking brake adequate to hold the vehicle on any grade.
- **Horn:** A multipurpose vehicle shall be equipped with a horn in good working order and capable of emitting a sound audible under normal conditions from a distance of not less than two hundred (200) feet, but no horn or other warning device shall emit an unreasonably loud or harsh sound or whistle.
- **Muffler(s):** A multipurpose vehicle shall be equipped with a muffler or other noise suppression system, maintained and operated in good working order so as to prevent excessive or unusual noise or the escape of excessive fumes or smoke. No person shall use a muffler cut-out, bypass or similar device.
- **Mirrors:** A multipurpose vehicle shall be equipped with one (1) mirror mounted on the left side of the vehicle and so located as to reflect to the driver a view of the highway to the rear of the vehicle.
- **Windshield:** When a multipurpose vehicle is equipped with a windshield AND an enclosed cab, it shall be equipped with a device for cleaning rain, snow or other moisture from the windshield, which device shall be controlled or operated by the driver of the vehicle. The windshield shall not have any sun screening device that does not comply with W.S. 31-5-962. There shall not be any material, substance, poster, sign or crack in or on the windshield which obstructs, obscures or impairs, in any manner, the driver's clear view of the highway.
- **Tires:** A multipurpose vehicle shall be equipped with tires pursuant to W.S. 31-5-956 and no person shall operate any vehicle on any highway or road with tires in an unsafe condition.
- **Reflectorized Flag? OR Slow Moving Vehicle Emblem?**

If a multipurpose vehicle is incapable of achieving the maximum speed allowed on the specific highway, it shall be operated on the extreme right hand edge of the roadway and shall be equipped with either a reflectorized flag as described in W. S. 31-5-960 (a)(vi) or a slow moving vehicle emblem as described in W. S. 31-5-921 (h);

HOWEVER:

Multipurpose vehicles designed for operation at speeds of twenty-five (25) miles per hour or less SHALL be equipped with a slow moving vehicle emblem as described in W. S. 31-5-921 (h).