

# City of Berlin Cross-Town Connector ATV Trail



Opening for the season on May 23, 2010, Berlin's cross-town connector trail which links the Jericho & Success trail systems will once again be available for use. This is a great opportunity for ATV users to be able to cross the City safely and conveniently and allows access to downtown restaurants and fueling stations. Because City streets are used, it is important that those who use this connector trail obey the rules of both the road and the connector trail. Riders need to use caution on this trail particularly when traveling with normal vehicular traffic on City Streets. ATV's on the street should be treated just like any other motor vehicle and they must obey all motor vehicle laws. It is possible that a few ATV operators who do not use caution and courteous appropriate behavior on the trail will cause enough complaints that the City Council will be forced to close the connector trail for everyone. If you see an ATV operator acting illegally or inappropriately on the trail, talk with them about it – education is key to keeping the trail open for everyone! **PARENTS, PLEASE REVIEW THE RULES WITH YOUR CHILDREN!**



For more information, please visit the following websites:

[www.berlinnh.gov/Pages/BerlinNH\\_ATV/index](http://www.berlinnh.gov/Pages/BerlinNH_ATV/index)

<http://www.nhtrails.org/trail-uses/atvs/>

[www.avatvclub.org/laws.asp](http://www.avatvclub.org/laws.asp)

## LEGAL REQUIREMENTS FOR USE OF ATV CONNECTOR TRAIL

In accordance with Berlin City Code Section 13-122, no person shall operate an ATV in or on any street, lane, bridge, alley, sidewalk or other public place in the city except on the ATV Connector Trail under the following conditions:

The ATV Connector Trail shall not be open and usable until it is properly marked and signed as determined by the Police Chief. *Under no circumstances will any part of the ATV Connector Trail on a city street be open and used by any ATV operator when there is snow on the street pavement, and under no circumstances will any part of the ATV Connector Trail on a city street be open and used by any ATV operator when the State opens the in-town snowmobile trails. If in doubt about whether the ATV Connector Trail is open, call the Berlin Police Department at 752-3131.*

ATV users in the City must abide by all State and City laws when on designated trails on City streets and must abide by all motor vehicle traffic laws. However, underage State certified ATV operators may ride the trail on City streets if and only if accompanied closely by a properly motor vehicle licensed adult.

In places where the ATV Connector Trail is on City streets, the trail is so designated with green diamonds on the pavement, ATV signage and markings, which must be obeyed by the ATV operator.

ATV operators shall not leave the designated trail within the City except that an ATV operator may leave and return in the shortest possible route to the designated trail at the intersection of East Mason and Hutchins to cross the intersection to the fueling facility across that intersection, and further that an ATV operator may leave and return in the shortest possible route to the designated trail at the intersection of Cole and York or Cole and the Dead River Park to travel no more than a block and a half to the fueling facilities at the intersection of Green and Pleasant Streets.

Where an ATV operator is on the above designated trail on City streets and encounters an ATV stop sign, the operator must come to a complete stop, on the right, off of the pavement before proceeding.

The speed limit for ATV operators when operating on the designated trail on City streets is 25 mph.

ATV's must yield to pedestrians at all times and must, when on the designated trail on City streets, yield to vehicular traffic.

ATV operators, when operating on the designated trail on City streets, shall ride single file on the extreme right portion of pavement (not gravel shoulders) except when preparing to make a left turn.

All ATV's operating on designated trails on City streets must have working head and tail lights.

