What can be registered as a Utility Terrain Vehicle (UTV)?

State laws [§23.33 (1)(ng)] require a vehicle to meet one of two definitions before it can be registered as a UTV. A vehicle must meet each and every legal specification in order to be eligible for registration with the Department of Natural Resources.

**Definition 1: Utility Terrain Vehicle**

A vehicle must meet **all** of the following specifications:

1. Commercially designed and manufactured;
2. Four or more low pressure or non-pneumatic tires;
3. Dry weight less than 2,000 pounds;
4. Cargo Box*;
5. Steering Wheel;
6. One or more tail lights;
7. One or more brake lights;
8. Two headlights;
9. Width of 65 inches or less;
10. Seat belts for every occupant; and
11. Roll bar or device that protects occupants during a rollover.

*The cargo box must have a solid bottom and sides. A “cargo rack” does not meet this requirement.

**Definition 2: Other vehicles qualifying as UTVs**

Vehicles that would not qualify as an ATV because of their weight can be registered as a UTV if they meet all of the following specifications:

1. Commercially designed and manufactured;
2. Three or more low pressure or non-pneumatic tires;
3. Dry weight more than 900 pounds but less than 2,000 pounds;
4. Width of 50 inches or less; and
5. Equipped with a seat designed to be straddled by the operator.