

SAMPLE Statement of Motorcycle/ATV Operator Requirements and Individual Responsibilities

Before operation of any motorcycle/ATV, you shall successfully complete an approved rider or operator safety course. The safety course must be a Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF), or Specialty Vehicle Institute of America (SVIA) or MSF-based State-approved course. You are responsible to contact the installation safety office and schedule training. Once you have completed training you will report to the installation safety office and me. It is mandatory that all persons operating or riding as a passenger on a MC or ATV use appropriate Personal Protection Equipment (PPE). PPE requirements on and off the installation/Army property are as follows.

1. Helmets, certified to meet DOT standards, must be properly fastened under the chin. Outside CONUS riders may wear HN helmets if the helmet meets or exceeds U.S. DOT standards.
2. *Impact or shatter resistant goggles, wraparound glasses, or full-face shield properly attached to the helmet must meet or exceed ANSI Safety Code Z87.1-2003, for impact and shatter resistance. A windshield alone is not proper eye protection.*
3. *Footwear is mandatory. Foot protection includes sturdy over-the-ankle footwear that affords protection for the feet and ankles (durable leather or ballistic type cloth athletic shoes that cover the ankles may be worn).*
4. At a minimum, long sleeved shirt or jacket, long trousers, and full-fingered gloves or mittens designed for use on a motorcycle must be worn.
5. *Recommended protective clothing includes long-sleeved shirt or jacket, long trousers, and full-fingered gloves or mittens made from leather or other abrasion-resistant material. Motorcycle jackets and pants constructed of abrasion-resistant materials such as leather, Kevlar®, or Cordura® and containing impact-absorbing padding are strongly encouraged. Riders are encouraged to select PPE that incorporates fluorescent colors and retroreflective material. **Note: Check with the installation safety office to get specific state, local, and installation requirements related to reflective equipment.***
6. Include specific installation and state MC/ATV traffic laws.

Reference: Department of Defense Instruction (DoDI) 6055.4 – DoD Traffic Safety Program.

Signature and Date

Motorcycle Operator/ATV Requirements and Individual Responsibilities Agreement

I, _____, have read and understand the requirement of safe motorcycling/ATV operations. I acknowledge the Army requirement for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), licensing requirements and training requirements as outlined in the Motorcycle/ATV Operator Individual Requirements and Responsibilities Agreement. I understand that if I am injured while riding a motorcycle/ATV in violation of this policy, I may be found Not-in-Line of Duty Due to Own Misconduct. Such a finding by an investigating officer can result in my loss of benefits, to include my right to free medical care, my right to disability pay, separation pay, or medical retirement from the service if my injuries make me no longer eligible for military service.

I could also face forfeiture of many of my veteran's rights such as education benefits. In addition to the Army requirement for PPE, I acknowledge that my commander has given me a direct order to NEVER operate a motorcycle/ATV without the PPE. My failure to comply with his/her order is punishable under Article 92 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

Signature and Date