ATV Rules & Regulations

Definitions:
All terrain vehicle (ATV): any smaller, off-road motorized three, four and six wheel all terrain vehicles, motorbikes, dirt bikes, go carts and modified lawn mowers.

Prohibited Vehicles in Designated ATV Areas: dune buggies, two- and four-wheel drive cars and trucks.

1. ATVs are to be operated only in the designated riding areas.
2. DOT approved helmets for ATV use are required to be worn by all operators and riders when ATVs are in motion.
3. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited in the designated ATV areas.
4. Reckless operation of any vehicle and/or ATV is prohibited.
5. ATV area boundaries are marked with white marker posts and/or white slash marks.
6. A designated guardian should accompany young riders.
7. The designated parking area is for unloading, loading and parking only.
8. Parking area speed limit is 10 mph for all ATVs and vehicles.
9. For your safety and security, carry personal I.D. and vehicle proof of ownership at all times.
10. Mufflers must be certified not to exceed 90 decibels.
11. Horseback riding, dog training, bicycling, hunting and unauthorized motor vehicles are prohibited within the designated ATV areas.
12. Be considerate of others. There are no trashcans in the ATV areas. Please take home whatever you bring with you.
13. Please observe posted signs and be a responsible rider.
14. The spillway is closed to public use from 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. daily, with the exception of campers and those who are launching boats at the front or the rear boat ramps. Camping is allowed in the parish recreation pavilion area only. A camping permit is required. Call the St. Charles Recreation Department at 985-783-5090 Monday – Friday for a free permit.
15. Please refer to the full text of Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations - Part 327 - Rules & Regulations governing public use of water resources development projects administered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Visitors are encouraged to become familiar with these rules governing the use of the spillway. Violators may be subject to a citation and/or an appearance before a federal magistrate. Copies are posted at all recognized spillway entrances or may be obtained at the spillway office located on River Road in Norco, by calling 985-764-7484 or logging onto http://www.mvn.usace.army.mil/Missions/Recreation/BonnetCarreSpillway.aspx.

For Emergency Services, Call 911. Tell the operator that you are at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Bonnet Carré Spillway Project, in St. Charles Parish, Louisiana.

Remember - Safety First – Wear a Helmet.