

## Conditional registration scheme for off-road trail and quad bikes

### Why do I need to conditionally register my off-road trail or quad bike?

If you operate an off-road trail or quad bike that may need to access a road or road related area, even if this access is partial, it should be conditionally registered.

The conditional registration scheme enables off-road trail or quad bikes that do not comply with standard regulations for registration, limited access to Queensland roads.

Before conditionally registering your bike, you need permission from the owner of the land, area or road where you intend to use your bike to make the registration possible. You may also need a permit from the Queensland Police Service.

You must hold the correct driver licence class to operate your bike and you must wear a helmet.

Operating a conditionally registered bike does not:

- provide open access to roads and related areas (see What is a road?)
- give any approval to operate a bike in land areas or private property without the owner's permission.

### Do all off-road trail or quad bikes need to be conditionally registered?

No. Off-road trail and quad bikes that are not used on a road or road related area, or are only used on private property, do not need to be conditionally registered.

If your trail bike is compliant and needs full access to the road network, it must be registered with standard registration.

### Benefits of conditional registration

- Reduced vehicle registration fees
- Provides limited access to Queensland roads
- Protection of compulsory third party insurance in the event of a crash occurring on a road causing personal injury
- Provides guidelines for the safe operation of the bike when it is used on a road

### What is a road?

A road is an area that is open or used by the public for driving or riding motor vehicles (eg. bridges, cattle grids, ferries, railway crossings, shopping centre car parks, formed roads – both sealed and unsealed, including tracks).

A road related area is an area that is part of a road, such as a footpath or nature strip, and is open to the public or used by cyclists or animals.



**A conditionally registered trail or quad bike can only access certain areas with authorisation. You must get all permits and authorisations prior to registering your bike conditionally, and they must be produced when registering your bike and if required by an enforcement officer.**

### Where you can use your bike

With authorisation from the land or area owner, you can operate your bike and access roads within the following areas:

- car parks, parklands, resorts, university grounds, hospital grounds, refuse/recycling depots, wharfs, cemeteries and showgrounds, some designated areas that are state or freehold land and reserves.

### You need to operate your bike outside these areas

If you require further access to a road outside an area you have authorisation for, you will need:

- approval from the authority responsible for the road
- a permit from the Queensland Police Service.

The approval and police permit will nominate a safe route for you to travel at approved times.

### Unloading and loading your bike

You are allowed to cross a footpath and operate up to 100 metres on a road for loading or unloading your bike.

**Important note:** Operating your bike outside these conditions is an offence and you could be fined. You also may not be covered by compulsory third party insurance, which could have serious legal and financial implications if you are involved in a crash.

[Click here to access the \*Guideline for Conditionally Registered Vehicles in Queensland.\*](#)

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