

UTAH HIGHWAY PATROL

VEHICLE SAFETY SECTION



NEW VEHICLE INSPECTION TYPE

Effective May 13th 2014: HB -148 will become law. If you are a station/inspector currently certified to conduct safety inspections on passenger vehicles, light trucks, motorcycles and ATVs, this new vehicle type will affect you. Please become familiar with the vehicle description and inspection requirements listed below. The inspection fee for this new vehicle type is \$15.00. Additionally, inspectors are to select the “Full-size ATV” bubble/button when initiating inspection report.

Lastly, seat height requirements for Utility Type Vehicles (UTV) have also changed. The new standard is **“having a seat height of 20 to 40 inches when measured at the forward edge of the seat bottom”**.

“Full-sized All-terrain Vehicle” means any recreational vehicle **designed for and capable of travel over unimproved terrain:** traveling on four or more tires, having a width that, when measured at the widest point of the vehicle, is not less than 55 inches or does not exceed 92 inches, having an unladen dry weight of 6,500 pounds or less, having a maximum seat height of 50 inches when measured at the forward edge of the seat bottom, and having a steering wheel for control. A full-sized all-terrain vehicle does not include an all-terrain type I vehicle, utility type vehicle, motorcycle, or a snowmobile.

Street-legal Full-sized All-terrain Vehicles

1. Full-sized all-terrain vehicles may be inspected provided they have been modified to be street-legal. Street-legal full-sized all-terrain vehicles are exempt from mud flap, fender, and bumper requirements. They shall be equipped with the following items, which comply with the requirements of the department (41-6a-1509):
 - a. Two headlamps that meet the requirements of Section 41-6a-1603. The headlamps shall be inspected using the same procedure found in Section 7 – Lighting, of this manual.
 - b. Two tail lamps.

- c. A tail lamp or other lamp constructed and placed to illuminate the registration plate with a white light.
- d. One or more red reflectors to the rear.
- e. Two stop lamps on the rear.
- f. Amber or red electric turn signals, one on each side of the front and rear.
- g. A braking system, other than a parking brake, that meets the requirements of Section 41-6a-1623. The braking system shall be inspected using the same procedure found in Section 6 – Brakes, of this manual.
- h. A horn or other warning device that meets the requirements of Section 41-6a-1625. Must be audible under normal conditions at a distance of not less than 200 feet.
- i. A muffler and emission control system that meets the requirements of Section 41-6a-1626. The exhaust system shall be inspected using the same procedure found in Section 11 – Exhaust System, of this manual.
- j. Rearview mirrors on the right and left side of the driver in accordance with Section 41-6a-1627. Mirrors shall be inspected using the same procedure found in Section 10 – Body, of this manual.
- k. A windshield, unless the operator wears eye protections while operating the vehicle. If the vehicle is equipped with a windshield it shall be inspected using the same procedure found in Section – 9 Vehicle Windows, of this manual. Other windows on the vehicle (including tinted windows) will also be inspected using the procedure found in Section 9 – Vehicle Windows.
- l. A speedometer, illuminated for nighttime operation.
- m. For vehicles designed by the manufactures for carrying one or more passengers, a seat designed for passengers, including a footrest and handhold for each passenger.
- n. For vehicles with side-by-side seating, seatbelts for each vehicle occupant.

- o. Four or more tires that do not exceed 44 inches in height and have at least 2/32 inches or greater tire tread. Tires and wheels shall be inspected using the same procedure found in Section 2 – Tires and Wheels, of this manual. Except, full-sized all-terrain vehicles are exempt from the requirements associated with restricted markings, mud flaps, and fender flares. Bead lock wheels on full-sized all-terrain vehicles are allowed.
- p. If the vehicle is going to be used on a highway with a posted speed limit higher than 45 miles per hours, it shall be equipped with a reflector or reflective tape to the front and back of both sides of the vehicle.
- q. Must not be less than 55 inches or exceed 92 inches in width when measured from the widest point of the vehicle.
- r. Must not have an unladen dry weight of more than 6,500 pounds.
- s. Driver's seat must not exceed 50 inches when measured at the forward edge of the seat bottom. The suspension shall be inspected using the same procedure found in Section 4 – Suspension, of this manual. Except, full-sized all-terrain vehicles are exempt from requirements associated with mud flaps and fender flares.
- t. Must be equipped with a steering wheel. Steering shall be inspected using the same procedure found in Section 3 – Steering, of this manual.
 - 1. **REJECT** when:
 - a) Any of the above items are not met.
 - b) Vehicle is not designed for and capable of travel over unimproved terrain.