



OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE AMBASSADOR POSITION DESCRIPTION



PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Arizona OHV Ambassador program is a newly developed volunteer program that provides a means for private citizens to work with a variety of federal, state, and local land managers and public safety officials in Arizona to promote responsible off-highway vehicle (OHV) recreation on public, state, and private lands. These volunteers contribute their time, experience, and local knowledge of OHV areas in Arizona by monitoring public lands in groups of two or more on motorcycles, all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), utility vehicles (UTVs), or 4x4 vehicles. Through these monitoring efforts volunteers provide a positive image of their recreation activity, identify and record road, trail, and other resource issues, report misuse of lands, and participate in special projects to enhance OHV areas in Arizona. OHV Ambassadors receive extensive training from professional training representatives and serve as a point of contact for other OHV users to obtain helpful and informative information about the trails they ride.

AMBASSADOR QUALIFICATIONS

OHV Ambassadors Must:

- Be at least 18 years old.
- Possess a valid driver's license.
- Be able to operate an OHV responsibly and safely.
- Be an experienced rider who is able to navigate roads and trails of varying difficulty level and length.
- Own a maintained, "street legal" (highway legal/ licensed) vehicle suitable for OHV roads and trails.
- Complete and keep current all required Ambassador training.
- Be able to walk over uneven terrain.
- Be able to lift at least 30 pounds.

BASIC OHV AMBASSADOR ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Promote responsible recreation use in Arizona by modeling appropriate OHV safety and behavior.
- Assist land management agencies in monitoring the areas, roads, trails, and facilities used by the public.
- Provide a recognizable presence on motorized routes and at OHV facilities used by the public.
- Protect the privilege of enjoying motorized recreation opportunities on public lands by promoting a positive image of OHV recreation on public lands.
- Promote land stewardship by participating in site improvements and small projects.
- Distribute and communicate information about responsible OHV use and agency policies to casual OHV users at high-profile public outreach events and on monitoring patrols.

PATROL AREAS

OHV Ambassadors will be given the opportunity to select from three areas for the pilot phase of the program.

- Lake Pleasant Area - includes the Bradshaw Foothills area and Table Mesa road, west of the I-17 freeway.
- North Scottsdale Area - includes Granite Mountain Multi-Use Area and southwestern portions of the Tonto National Forest (Cave Creek District).
- Florence Junction Area - includes Desert Wells Multi-Use Area and the BLM portion of the Middle Gila Canyons area.

EXPERIENCE

Anyone who is an avid OHV user or simply an interested member of the public, and who is able to provide their own transportation, can volunteer as an OHV Ambassador, provided they are willing to abide by the OHV Ambassador Code of Conduct. OHV Ambassador volunteers will be recruited and selected without regard to race, creed, religion, age, sex, color, national origin or disability.



OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE AMBASSADOR VOLUNTEER APPLICATION



GENERAL INFORMATION

Name: _____ DOB: _____

Driver's License # _____ State of Issue _____ Expiration Date: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Occupation _____ E-mail: _____

What type of OHV do you own? (check all that apply): 4x4 ATV Motorcycle UTV

Other (please specify): _____

Is your OHV "street legal" (highway legal/ licensed)? Y N

Are you a member of an OHV Club? Y N (list club(s) below):

TRAINING

Please check the appropriate boxes below, indicating what current training you have.

First Aid Certification: Y N CPR: Y N

ASI ATV Certification: Y N (ATV Ambassadors Only)

MSF Dirt Bike Certification: Y N (Motorcycle Ambassadors Only)

EXPERIENCE

Please answer the following questions. Attach additional pages if necessary.

1. Reason(s) for interest in the OHV Ambassador Program:

2. Describe your trail experience (e.g., types of uses, skill level, years experience, etc).

3. Explain why you feel it is necessary to inform and educate OHV users.

4. Describe your experience in working with the public and/or making public contacts (can be from non-OHV experiences such as work or school).

5. Can you perform the basic OHV Ambassador functions as listed in the position description?

Y N (please describe any limitations below).

AVAILABILITY

1. How many days during the three seasons listed below are you available to patrol?

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| September – December <input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1-3 <input type="checkbox"/> 3-6 <input type="checkbox"/> more than 6 | January – April <input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1-3 <input type="checkbox"/> 3-6 <input type="checkbox"/> more than 6 | May – August <input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1-3 <input type="checkbox"/> 3-6 <input type="checkbox"/> more than 6 |
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2. What days of the week are you available?

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday

3. What is your preferred patrol area? (check all that apply).

- Lake Pleasant Area
- North Scottsdale Area
- Florence Junction Area

4. Are you a year round Arizona resident? Y N (list unavailable months/dates:) _____

CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE

- I certify that all statements contained herein are true and complete whether made by me or by others at my request.
- I authorize Arizona State Parks or a partnering agency to verify education and training information provided on this application.
- I authorize the State of Arizona to check my driving record and proof of insurance.
- I understand that this application is subject to a criminal violation and record check.
- I release the State of Arizona and all providers of information from any liability as a result of furnishing and receiving any information related to the State Parks OHV Ambassador Program selection process.

I understand that any verbal or written statement that is false, fraudulent or misleading that is contained in this application, attached materials, or made in the course of any related process, can result in rejection of my application, denial of volunteer service, or dismissal from volunteer service if discovered after volunteer service begins.

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

RETURN TO ARIZONA STATE PARKS:
 Arizona State Parks
 Attn: Troy Waskey, OHV Planner
 1300 W Washington St
 Phoenix, AZ 85007

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 twaskey@azstateparks.gov

OFFICE USE ONLY

Received _____

Contacted _____

Action Taken _____

All applications must be submitted by **February 13, 2008** to be considered for the first patrol season. All applicants will be notified by **February 20, 2008** regarding their acceptance into the March 7-9 OHV Ambassador training.