6 TIPS FOR A SAFE RIDE

WHAT KIDS NEED TO KNOW TO STAY SAFE WHEN RIDING AN ATV

1. Always wear a helmet and something to protect your eyes.
2. Always ride at safe speeds.
3. Ride an ATV that is right for your size and age.
4. It is a good idea to wear boots, long pants, and long sleeves.
5. Stay off paved roads.
6. Take a training class to learn how to ride safely.

SOURCES:
ATVs: THE FACTS

WHAT PARENTS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES (ATVs)

Each year an average of 7 residents die and an additional 33 are hospitalized due to ATV injuries in Wyoming. Approximately 15% of deaths and 20% of hospitalizations were among youth and young adults 18 years and younger.

What can you do?

☑ Prepare yourself and your child by taking an ATV safety course together.

☑ Make sure your child always rides the appropriate size ATV. Size labels that state the minimum age of the rider are found on every vehicle.

☑ Don't allow more riders on the ATV than it is designed for.

☑ Be a safety role model for your child; wear a helmet, eye protection, boots, long-sleeves, and pants when you ride.

☑ Set ground rules for where and when your child can ride their ATV. They should stay on designated trails at safe speeds.

Males are 4 times more likely to have an ATV-related injury than females.

Over half (54%) of ATV-related injuries occur between May and August.

43% of ATV-related injuries were associated with a Traumatic Brain Injury.

IMPORTANT POINT!
Youth under the age of 16 should never ride an adult size ATV.

SOURCES:
https://atvsafety.gov/
Wyoming Hospital Discharge Data, 2009-2015