

CITY OF COTTONWOOD FALLS

ORDINANCE No. 1005

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 52ND EDITION – 2025 KANSAS STANDARD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE NO. 1002, SECTION 114-5 – UNLAWFUL OPERATION OF WORK-SITE VEHICLE. ALLOWING THE OPERATION OF UTILITY TASK VEHICLES (UTVS) WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF COTTONWOOD FALLS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD FALLS KANSAS.

SECTION 1. PURPOSE

This ordinance is enacted to allow the safe and regulated operation of Utility Task Vehicles (UTVs) within the city limits of the **City of Cottonwood Falls**.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS

UTV (Utility Task Vehicle) designed for off-road use, capable of carrying passengers and cargo, and not exceeding 65 inches in width or 1,500 pounds of dry weight.

SECTION 3. OPERATION REQUIREMENTS

Requirements list for operation of the UTVs in the city limits of the **City of Cottonwood Falls**:

1. The operator must possess a valid driver's license.
2. The UTV must be registered with the **Chase County Sheriff's Office** and display a current registration sticker.
3. The UTV must be equipped with:
 - (a) At least one rearview mirror and one side mirror.
 - (b) Functioning turn signals (front and rear).
 - (c) Seatbelts for all occupants.
 - (d) Headlights and taillights if operated between sunset and sunrise.
 - (e) A horn audible not less than 200 ft.
4. The UTV must be insured with liability coverage meeting Kansas minimum requirements.
5. The UTV must pass an inspection conducted by the **Chase County Sheriff's Office**.

SECTION 4. PROHIBITED AREA

UTVs shall not be operated:

1. On U.S. and Kansas State Highways: except to cross at a 90 degree angle.
2. On sidewalks, parks, or trails not designed for motor vehicles.


SECTION 5. PENALTIES

Violations of this ordinance are subject to a fine not exceeding \$250 and/or revocation of the city registration sticker.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE


This ordinance shall take effect upon publication in the official newspaper and approved the Governing Body of the **City of Cottonwood Falls**.

Adopted on this 20th day of April 2026 and approved by the Mayor of Cottonwood Falls.



William C. Sisson, Mayor of Cottonwood Falls

ATTEST:



Tina Andrews, City Clerk of Cottonwood Falls

City Seal: