

## OPERATION OF ATVs DURING FIELD TRIALS

**Section 1.** All-Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) have been utilized by field trial clubs to aid in the release of birds used as part of scheduled field trials at designated field trial sites. This has proven to be an efficient and effective method to place birds prior to the beginning of the field trial. With this in mind, the following policy will govern the use of ATVs on state sites by field trial clubs:

- ATVs may be used to release birds on designated field trial courses **with permission from the Site Superintendent.** Permission will include the number of ATVs allowed (not to exceed two) and the designation of permissible areas they are allowed to operate in.
- ATVs will not be part of the field trial gallery.
- Operation of ATVs on any public roadway within the site is prohibited except when necessary to cross the road for purposes of releasing birds.
- Failure by field trial clubs to follow these conditions may result in the denial of ATVs in future field trials and/or enforcement with citations issued for violation of Ad Rule 110-Section 110.160 (2).

**Section 2.** All-Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) may be utilized at field trials to enable physically challenged dog handlers to participate in scheduled field trials at designated field trial sites. This accommodation is available to provide dog handlers with disabilities a reasonable means to participate in field trials. The following provisions will govern the use of ATVs by field trial dog handlers on state sites:

ATVs may be used by physically challenged dog handlers to handle dogs entered in field trials on designated field trial courses when all of the following are met:

- A. **Authorization from the Site Superintendent must be obtained.** The authorization will include the permissible areas of operation.
- B. The dog handler must have a valid Standing Vehicle Permit from the Department's Office of Law Enforcement.
- C. The dog handler must have written authorization from the field trial club conducting the field trial permitting the handler to handle dogs from an ATV.
- D. During shoot-to-retrieve field trials dog handlers must either

use a designated gunner who walks adjacent to the handlers ATV, or comply with the provisions of Administrative Rule 760-Section 760.30 [(e)(1) and (2)].

- ATVs will not be part of the field trial gallery.
- Operation of ATVs on any public roadway within the site is prohibited except when necessary to cross a road for the purposes of handling dogs.
- Failure by dog handlers to follow these conditions will result in the denial of ATVs in future field trials and/or enforcement with citations issued for violation of Ad Rule 110-Section 110.160 (2).