



Includes:

- Important Safety Information
- Operating Instructions
- Maintenance and Storage

Prairie[®] 400 4X4 Prairie[®] 400 All Terrain Vehicle

Read this manual carefully. It contains safety information.
A child under 16 years old should never be allowed to operate this vehicle.

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OWNER'S MANUAL

⚠ WARNING

The engine exhaust from this product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm.

Quick Reference Guide

This Quick Reference Guide will assist you in finding the information you're looking for.

**General
Information**

How to Ride

Safe Operation

**Maintenance
and Adjustment**

Storage

**Troubleshooting
Guide**

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Whenever you see the symbols shown below, heed their instructions! Always follow safe operating and maintenance practices.

⚠ WARNING

HAZARD

Failure to heed **WARNINGS**.

WHAT CAN HAPPEN

WARNINGS identify special instructions or procedures which, if not correctly followed, could result in personal injury, or loss of life.

HOW TO AVOID THE HAZARD

Read all **WARNINGS** in this manual carefully and for your safety be sure to follow their instructions.

CAUTION

This caution symbol identifies special instructions or procedures which, if not strictly observed, could result in damage to or destruction of equipment.

NOTE

○ *This note symbol indicates points of particular interest for more efficient and convenient operation.*

IMPORTANT

Off-road vehicle riding is a wonderful sport, and we hope you will enjoy it to the fullest.

Read this manual carefully and completely before starting your new Kawasaki. It contains important safety information.

Never operate an ATV without proper instruction. Take a training course. Beginners should receive training from a certified instructor. Contact an authorized ATV dealer or call 1-800-887-2887 to find out about the training courses nearest you.

Never allow a child under the age of 16 years to operate this ATV. Use of this ATV by children under 16 years of age can lead to severe injury or death of the child. Even youths starting at age 16 may not have the skills, abilities, or judgement needed to operate this ATV safely.

Therefore youths starting at age 16 should have adult supervision even after they attend a rider training course. And parents should never allow continued use of this ATV if the youth does not have the abilities and maturity to operate it safely.

Failure to follow the warnings contained in this manual can result in **SERIOUS INJURY** or **DEATH**.

To protect the future of your sport, make sure you use your vehicle legally, show concern for the environment, and respect the rights of other people.

If improperly conducted, the sport has the potential to cause environmental problems as well as conflicts with other people. Responsible use of your off-road vehicle will ensure that these problems and conflicts do not occur.

- Always follow proper procedures for turning as described in this manual. Practice turning at low speeds before attempting to turn at faster speeds. Do not turn at excessive speed.
- Never operate the ATV on hills too steep for the ATV or for your abilities. Practice on smaller hills before attempting larger hills.
- Always follow proper procedures for climbing hills as described in this manual. Check the terrain carefully before you start up any hill. Never climb hills with excessively slippery or loose surfaces. Shift your weight forward. Never open the throttle suddenly or make sudden gear changes. Never go over the top of any hill at high speed.
- Always follow proper procedures for going down hills and for braking on hills as described in this manual. Check the terrain carefully before you start down any hill. Shift your weight backward. Never go down a hill at high speed. Avoid going down a hill at an angle that would cause the vehicle to lean sharply to one side. Go straight down the hill where possible.
- Always follow proper procedures for crossing the side of a hill as described in this manual. Avoid hills with excessively slippery or loose surfaces. Shift your weight to the uphill side of the ATV. Never attempt to turn the ATV around on any hill until you have mastered the turning technique described in this manual on level ground. Avoid crossing the side of a steep hill if possible.
- Always use proper procedures if you stall or roll backwards when climbing a hill. To avoid stalling, use proper gear and maintain a steady speed when climbing a hill. If you stall or roll backwards, follow the special procedure for braking described in this manual. Dismount on the uphill side or to a side if pointed straight uphill. Turn the ATV around and remount, following the procedure described in this manual.
- Always check for obstacles before operating in a new area. Never attempt to operate over large obstacles, such as large rocks or fallen trees. Always follow proper procedures when operating over obstacles as described in this manual.
- Always be careful when skidding or sliding. Learn to safely control skidding or sliding by practicing at low speeds and on level, smooth terrain. On extremely slippery surfaces, such as ice, go slowly and be very cautious in order to reduce the chance of skidding or sliding out of control.
- Never operate an ATV in fast flowing water or in water deeper than that specified in this manual. Remember that wet brakes may have reduced stopping ability. Test your brakes after leaving water. If necessary, apply them several times to let friction dry out the linings.
- Always be sure there are no obstacles or people behind you when you operate in reverse. When it is safe to proceed in reverse, go slowly.
- Always use the size and type tires specified in this manual. Always maintain proper tire pressure as described in this manual. Type of tire and inflation can affect vehicle handling.
- A tire pressure gauge is provided in the tool kit container. Keep it with the vehicle at all times.

- Never modify an ATV through improper installation or use of accessories. Installation of accessory items may affect vehicle handling. Refer to the Loading Information chapter in this manual.
- Never exceed the stated load capacity for an ATV. Cargo should be properly distributed and securely attached. Reduce speed and follow instructions in this manual for carrying cargo or pulling a trailer. Allow greater distance for braking.
- Preserve the environment, ride responsibly and always know and obey laws and regulations governing ATV operation.
- Refueling: Shut engine off and make sure the area is well ventilated and free from any source of flame or sparks.
- Use an antenna flag in hilly terrain and sand dune areas.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ATV SAFETY, call the Consumer Product Safety Commission at 1-800-638-2772, or the ATV Distributors' Safety Hotline at 1-800-852-5344.

EMISSION CONTROL INFORMATION

To protect the environment in which we all live, Kawasaki has incorporated crankcase emission (1) and exhaust emission (2) control systems (EM) in compliance with applicable regulations of the California Air Resources Board.

1. Crankcase Emission Control System

A sealed-type crankcase emission control system is used to eliminate blow-by gases. The blow-by gases are led to the breather chamber through the crankcase. Then, it is led to the air cleaner.

Oil is separated from the gases while passing through the inside of the breather chamber from the crankcase, and then returned back to the bottom of crankcase.

2. Exhaust Emission Control System

The exhaust emission control system applied to this engine family is engine modifications that consist of a modified carburetor and an ignition system having optimum ignition timing characteristics.

The carburetor has been calibrated to provide lean air/fuel mixture characteristics and optimum fuel economy with a suitable air cleaner and exhaust system.

A maintenance free ignition system provides the most favorable ignition timing and helps maintain a thorough combustion process within the engine which contributes to a reduction of exhaust pollutants entering the atmosphere.

High Altitude Performance Adjustment Information

To improve the EMISSION CONTROL PERFORMANCE of vehicles operated above 4,000 feet, Kawasaki recommends the following California Air Resources Board approved modification.

NOTE

○ *When properly performed, these specified modifications only are not considered to be emissions system "tampering" and vehicle performance is generally unchanged as a result.*

Installation Instructions:

High altitude adjustment requires replacement of certain carburetor components. Installation of these optional parts may be performed by an authorized Kawasaki dealer, or the consumer, following repair recommendations specified in the appropriate Kawasaki Service Manual.

Maintenance and Warranty

Proper maintenance is necessary to ensure that your vehicle will continue to have low emission levels. This Owner's Manual contains those maintenance recommendations for your vehicle. Those items identified by the Periodic Maintenance Chart are necessary to ensure compliance with the applicable standards.

As the owner of this vehicle, you have the responsibility to make sure that the recommended maintenance is carried out according to the instructions in this Owner's Manual at your own expense.

You should keep a maintenance record for your vehicle. To assist you in keeping this record, we have provided space on pages 156 through 159 of this manual where an authorized Kawasaki dealer, or someone equally competent, can record the maintenance. You should also retain copies of maintenance work orders, bills, etc., as verification of this maintenance.

Tampering with Emission Control System Prohibited

California State law prohibits the following acts or the causing thereof: (1) the removal or rendering inoperative by any person other than for purposes of maintenance, repair, or replacement, of any device or element of design incorporated into any new vehicle for the purposes of emission control prior to its sale or delivery to the ultimate purchaser or while it is in use, or (2) the use of the vehicle after such device or element of design has been removed or rendered inoperative by any person.

Among those acts presumed to constitute tampering are the acts listed below:

Do not tamper with the original emission related parts:

- Carburetor and internal parts
- Spark plugs
- Magneto or electronic battery ignition system
- Fuel filter element
- Air cleaner element

PLEASE DO NOT TAMPER WITH NOISE CONTROL SYSTEM

To minimize the noise emissions from this product, Kawasaki has equipped it with effective intake and exhaust silencing systems. They are designed to give optimum performance while maintaining a low noise level. Please do not remove these systems, or alter them in any way which results in an increase in noise level.

FOREWORD

Congratulations on your choice of a new Kawasaki KVF. It is the result of Kawasaki engineering expertise and a tradition of manufacturing high-quality recreational products.

Please read this manual carefully before starting your new vehicle. Be sure you understand its controls, capabilities, limitations, and proper operating procedures. Observe the maintenance requirements listed in this book as well.

More detailed service information is contained in the service manual for this model, which is available from Kawasaki dealers.

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