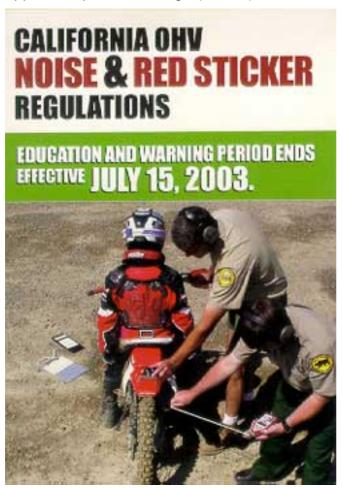
OHV sound regulations

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OHV Noise Regulations

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On January 1, 2003, California's Off-Highway Vehicle noise regulations changed. Help protect your sport by meeting the new off-highway vehicle noise standards. Agencies will be conducting sound tests on public lands where OHV's are used.

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BLM Offers Free OHV Sound Testing (click here or scroll to bottom of screen) The education and warning phase of enforcement has ended. Officers began issuing citations for violations of California's OHV noise regulations and red sticker riding seasons on July 15, 2003. Help protect your sport by complying with all OHV regulations. The off-highway vehicle noise emission standard is now 96 dBA on 1986 and newer models. Models 1985 and older must comply with 101 dBA. The testing standard is J1267 developed by the Society of Automotive Engineers. Red sticker vehicles may be operated on public lands during seasons established by the California Air Resources Board. All model year 2002 or older OHV's are being

issued green stickers by the DMV. Green sticker vehicles are not subject to the restricted riding seasons. For more information, visit the California State Park Off Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division web site at http://www.ohv.parks.ca.gov/ or call 916-324-4442 and ask for an information packet. If your off-highway vehicle was manufactured:Noise limit is:Before January 1, 1986101 dbAOn or after January 1, 198696 dbA If your competition* off-highway vehicle was manufactured:Noise limit is:Before January 1, 1998101 dbAOn or after January 1, 199896 dbA *Competition off-highway vehicles are those that are not manufactured to comply with EPA noise or California emission standards. For information on the designation of your OHV, refer to your owner's manual or contact your local dealership. Free OHV sound tests are available throughout the year at the Ukiah Field Office by appointment. Call 707-468-4000 to schedule an appointment. Comments to Webmaster