



## ATV WASHING TIPS

*This instruction sheet is designed as an overview to basic washing technique. It is highly recommended that the person performing the washing follow all appropriate safety precautions and use common sense.*

- Make sure your engine is as water tight as possible. Install air box lid (plug snorkel hole). Plug silencer/muffler hole with suitable rubber plug or duct tape. If you are washing a machine with a PC 2000 Cylinder cover the power valve assembly with a plastic bag and secure it with a rubber band or zip tie.
- For maximum results wash machine with fenders removed. If the machine is very muddy, wash the big mud off the fenders first. Then remove fenders.
- **CLEANERS:** It is advisable to use a cleaner to aid in the washing process of your ATV. DR recommends using MAXIMA Clean Up or compatible product. Be sure to follow all the manufactures instructions.
- When performing the washing process you can use either a normal water hose or a high-pressure hose (power washer). If a high-pressure hose is used be careful not to apply too much pressure to sensitive areas. As a general rule ATV's are reasonably watertight. But high-pressure water aimed at engine and chassis seals and o-rings can allow water to pass, causing unnecessary harm. If during the washing process it is feared the water has penetrated sensitive areas. Those components must be disassembled and dried and cleaned.
- When ever possible wash your ATV with HOT water. Hot water will greatly improve the quality of the cleanliness that your machine will receive.
- Wash machine from all sides and angles. For proper washing view your machine from all points. Dirt collects in the most unsuspected places.
- Do not be deceived by the "wet look" when a machine is wet. There is a tendency for the moisture to mask the dirt, making everything appear shiny and clean. But when the machine begins to dry it will take on a different appearance, not looking quite so clean.
- Pay special attention to cleaning dirt from radiator and or oil cooler fins.
- **INSPECTION:** Besides having a clean ATV. The primary reason for the washing process is to thoroughly inspect your ATV. Look the machine over very closely during the washing process. Pay close attention for damaged, bent, broken, or cracked parts.
- **DRYING:** It is imperative that your ATV is completely and thoroughly dried after you have completed the washing process. Use a combination of towels and compressed air (when available) to dry your machine. Put as much effort into the drying process as you put into the



washing process.

- After you have completed a preliminary wipe down/dry off. It is recommend to start the machine and let it idle for 10-15 minutes to get it up to operating temperature. This will help burn out any water/moisture that could have possibly got into your machine.
- After your machine is completely washed and dried. It is crucial that you remove your ignition cover (Only on machines with dry ignitions! Most 2-Stroke have dry ignitions (no oil) most 4-Stroke have wet ignitions) and dry the inside of the cover and its contents. Make sure stator/flywheel are dry. Blow out with compressed air and spray with a light coat of Maxima MPPL Penetrant lube. Failure to keep water out of this area will cause ignition damage.

