

Idlers 4WD Club of Victoria Inc.

IDLERS' CODE OF ETHICS

The Australian National Four Wheel Drive Council Four Wheel Drive Australia (ANFWDC) in the interest of promoting responsible recreational vehicle use has developed a Code of Ethics which has been accepted by all members of Four Wheel Drive Victoria (FWDV) and its affiliated clubs including the Idlers 4WD Club.

National 4WD Code of Ethics:

1. Obey the laws and regulations for Recreational Vehicles that apply to public lands.
2. Respect the cultural, heritage and environmental values of public/private land, by obeying restrictions that may apply.
3. Respect our flora and fauna. Stop and look, but never disturb.
4. Keep to formed vehicle tracks.
5. Keep the environment clean. Carry your own, and any other, rubbish out.
6. Keep your vehicle mechanically sound and clean to reduce the environmental impact.
7. Adopt minimal impact camping and driving practices.
8. Seek permission before driving on private land. Do not disturb livestock or watering points, leave gates as found.
9. Take adequate water, food, fuel, basic spares and a first aid kit on trips. In remote areas travel with another vehicle and have Royal Flying Doctor Service, or equivalent, radio contact.
10. Enjoy your recreation and respect the rights of others.
11. Plan ahead and lodge trip details with a responsible person.
12. Support four-wheel drive touring as a responsible and legitimate family recreational activity. Consider joining an affiliated Four-Wheel Drive Club.

This code has been supplemented with the following items relevant to the Idlers 4WD Club of Victoria Inc.

13. A UHF radio including an installed aerial must be fitted to all Members' vehicles prior to commencement of any trip.

14. For the comfort of others and the protection of native wildlife: • Pets are excluded from Club trips; • Generators can be used on Club trips under particular guidelines.

15. The Club discourages the consumption of alcohol until the end of each day's travel.

16. All toilet refuse shall be buried to a minimum depth of 15 cm, at least 30 metres away from any watercourse. Paper shall be safely burned before burial;

17. Fires may be lit only in accordance with prescribed regulations.

18. Members should report any inappropriate 4WD behaviour they observe; (In Victoria telephone Bush Telegraph on: 13 28 74.).