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This standard is the revision of the American National Standard for Multipurpose Off-Highway Utility Vehicles.

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Part I: Scope, References & Definitions

1. Scope

This standard establishes requirements for equipment, configuration, and performance of Multipurpose Off-Highway Utility Vehicles (MOHUVs).

A MOHUV has features specifically intended for utility use and has the following characteristics:

- 1) intended to transport a person(s) and/or cargo, with a top speed in excess of 25 mph (40.2 km/h);
- 2) 2030 mm (80 in) or less in overall width;
- 3) designed to travel on four or more wheels, two or four tracks, or combinations of four or more tracks and wheels;
- 4) using a steering wheel for steering control;
- 5) with a non-straddle seat:
- 6) with a Gross Vehicle Weight Rating of no more than 1814 kg (4000 lb), and
- 7) with a minimum cargo capacity of 159 kg (350 lb).

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