

## Curriculum Vitae

# Marshall Grant

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Mr. Grant has in-depth experience, knowledge, and expertise in off-highway and 4x4 vehicle safety and operation to include; All-Terrain Vehicles (ATVs), Recreational Off-Highway Vehicles (ROVs), four-wheel drive vehicles (4x4s), full size automobiles and sports utility vehicles (SUVs). Areas of expertise include:

- Manufacturer recommended operational procedures
- 4x4 operator safety
- Vehicle handling and characteristics
- Manufacturer specific driving aids
- 4x4 driver training
- Vehicle recovery procedures/techniques
- Winch operator safety
- Terrain management / surface composition
- Recovery resistance calculations
- OHV/4x4/SUV use in commercial, government and recreational applications
- Beginner to advanced 4x4/OHV training curriculum

### Work Experience:

Mr. Grant has worked with various ATV, ROV, 4x4/SUV manufacturers and organizations to prepare and organize training curriculum. Manufacturers include; Land Rover, Jeep, Toyota, American General, Mercedes, Polaris, Honda, Yamaha. Organizations include; Specialty Vehicle Institute Of America (SVIA), ATV Safety Institute (ASI), Recreational Off-Highway Vehicle Association (ROHVA), National Off-Highway Vehicle Conservation Council (NOHVCC), International 4-Wheel Drive Trainers Association (I4WTA). Government agencies include; National Park Service, FBI, California State Parks, US forest Service, United States Marine Corps, United States Army, and US Department of State.

Mr. Grant has over 18 years of experience engaged in the off-road vehicle training and education industry. After competing in off-road driving competitions and attending off-road rally style events his positive reputation within the industry provides him the opportunity to help others through education and training. Realizing the need for proper OHV education, he began training the public in off-road driving and vehicle recovery techniques in late 1999. In 2001 he began training with “Camel Trophy” veteran, Tom Collins.

In 2003 Mr. Grant began working for the US National Park Service as a Park Ranger. During his tenure as a park ranger Mr. Grant worked closely with individuals, families, and youths eager to explore the outdoors typically in OHV environments. He was eager to offer sound advice on safety and regulations in addition to driving skills. In 2006 Mr. Grant came highly recommended to the Land Rover Experience driving school and became a certified Land Rover Experience driving school instructor. Land Rover was the first 4x4 vehicle manufacturer to open an off-road driving school in North America and is still the only “factory-Backed” driving school. To join the ranks of the Land Rover “elite” off-road training team is no easy task.

In 2008 Mr. Grant opened his own off-road driving school, Blue Ridge Expeditions (BRE). Blue Ridge expeditions curriculum includes but is not limited to; beginner to advanced 4x4 driver training, vehicle recovery, winching, Hi-lift jack, spotting, expedition planning, field repair, operational safety, and terrain management etc.. In addition to the training curriculum he also offers development & consultation for OHV training areas, 4x4 trail systems incorporating terrain features such as rocks, mud, sand, Water crossing, hilly terrain, side tilts, trees etc. BRE is a Department of Defense (DoD) contractor regularly training various branches of Special Forces and other hi-level security personnel. He also continues to privately train individuals and groups on all current 4x4 vehicles that includes standard and non-standard 4x4s.

In 2010 Mr. Grant completed ATV Safety Institute (ASI) training and became a Licensed ASI *RiderCourse*<sup>sm</sup> Instructor. The Boy Scouts of America used him to direct ATV safety activities at one of three councils in the United States taking part in an ATV pilot program. He would serve as ATV area director and would develop ATV programs for the Boy Scouts of America conforming to ASI ATV *RiderCourse* Standards.

In 2010 Mr. Grant was approached by the Recreational Off-Highway Vehicle Association (ROHVA) to assist in the development of a ROV training program, the ROV Basic *DriverCourse*. He served as subject matter expert developing curriculum and training standards for both ROHVA DriverCoaches and DriverCoach Trainers. He also assisted in developing the booklet “Tips Guide for the Recreational Off-Highway Vehicle Driver” as a supplement to an ROV operator’s manual. This booklet covers all types of driving scenarios and terrain types along with proper and safe recovery.

ROV DriverCoach training is conducted only by certified ROHVA trainers. Mr. Grant has assisted ASI and ROHVA in the professional development of Chief Instructors and DriverCoach Trainers from the U.S., Canada, England, and Australia. In addition to BRE Mr. Grant also serves as an expert 4x4 driving instructor for Black Dog Mobility LLC. His role with Black Dog Mobility requires him to constantly evolve as a professional 4x4 educator. The ever changing demand for critical training standards within the U.S. Military also requires Mr. Grant to update, revise, and improve curriculum and training standards to meet mission requirements.

## **Education & Training:**

Automotive Systems Technology, McDowell Technical College  
Marion NC – 2003

Land Rover Driver Training,  
2001

Land Rover Level 1 Driving Instructor Certification  
4/2006  
Asheville, NC

Land Rover Level 2 Driving Instructor Certification  
6/2006  
Asheville, NC

ASI – Licensed ATV *RiderCourse* Instructor  
4/2010  
ATV Safety Institute, Irvine, CA

ROHVA – certified ROV *DriverCoach* Trainer  
10/11  
Recreational Off-highway Vehicle Association  
Irvine, CA

American Heart Association CPR , AED operations

American Red Cross First-aid, CPR