

MARLBORO SELECTBOARD
POLICY FOR OPERATION
OF SNOWMOBILES AND ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES
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It is the policy of the Marlboro Selectboard to defer to the Vermont statutes with regard to operation of snowmobiles and all-terrain vehicles. Snowmobiles and ATVs are not allowed to be operated on any public roads within the town. Operation on private land is by permission of the landowner in accordance with State Law.

Laws for operation of snowmobiles and all-terrain vehicles are in Title 23 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated.

For more information, operator manuals for all-terrain vehicles and snowmobiles are available at the Department of Motor Vehicles, 120 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05603-0001, local DMV offices and online at <http://www.dmv.state.vt.us/>. The manuals include a section on the applicable laws.

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ADDENDUM

In addition to the Selectboard's stated Snowmobile and ATV Policy, we would like remind riders, landowners and all interested residents of some of the Vermont laws concerning snowmobile and ATV operation that are most applicable within the Town of Marlboro. Please refer to the Vermont Snowmobile Operator's Manual and the All-Terrain Vehicle Operator Manual sited above for more complete information.

Snowmobiles and ATVs May Be Operated:

Across the public highway provided the crossing is made at an angle of approximately 90 degrees to the direction of the highway where no obstruction prevents a safe and quick crossing.

On any land owned by the owner of the snowmobile or ATV, or an immediate member of the landowner's family.

On any other privately owned land or body of water provided you have written permission of the landowner in your possession; or you have proof of membership in a club and association that has been granted permission by the landowner either verbally or in writing.

Beside any plowed highway, provided you are traveling a minimum of five feet from the plowed portion. (SNOWMOBILES ONLY)

You must come to a full stop and yield to any other vehicles or pedestrians using the highway.

You must be at least 12 years of age, and if under the age 16, you must be under the direct supervision of someone at least 18 years of age.

Snowmobiles and ATVs May Not Be Operated:

On any public roads within the town.

On any private land for which you have not received the landowner's permission.

In any manner intended or reasonably expected to harass, drive or pursue any wildlife.

While under the influence of intoxicating beverages or drugs.

In a reckless manner so as to endanger another person or property.

Within any public or private cemetery.

Who Must Register:

Any snowmobile owner who plans to operate anywhere **except** on land owned by the snowmobile owner or on privately owned land when the operator is specifically invited to do so by the owner of the property and has on his person the written consent of the owner

Trespassing:

It is important that you respect the property rights of others. Do not travel on posted land, or if on land not posted and you are requested to leave by the landowner or his agent, do so immediately.