

CHAPTER 5

SNOWMOBILES, BICYCLES, ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES/4-WHEELERS AND RULES FOR THE PERMISSIVE USE OF BATTERY OPERATED BICYCLES

5.01 SNOWMOBILES

1. STATE SNOWMOBILE LAWS ADOPTED. Except as otherwise specifically provided in this ordinance, the statutory provisions describing and defining regulations with respect to snowmobiles in the following enumerated sections of the Wisconsin Statutes are hereby adopted by reference and made part of this ordinance as if fully set forth herein. Acts required to be performed or prohibited by such statutes are required or prohibited by this ordinance.
 - a. 350.01 - Definitions
 - b. 350.03 - Right-of-Way
 - c. 350.04 - Snowmobile Races, Derbies and Races
 - d. 350.06 - Firearms and Bows
 - e. 350.08 - Owner Permitting Operation
 - f. 350.09 - Head Lamps, Tail Lamps and Brakes
 - g. 350.10 - Miscellaneous Provisions for Snowmobile Operation
 - h. 350.15 - Accidents and Accident Reports
2. SNOWMOBILE ROUTES DESIGNATED. No person shall operate a snowmobile upon any highway or Village street located in the Village or cross any such highway or street, other than to drive directly across at right angles to the roadway, and then only after stopping and yielding the right-of-way to all vehicles approaching on the said highway or street. No person shall operate a snowmobile upon any public right-of-way, in any public park, or on any other public property in the Village.
3. PERSONS UNDER 12 OPERATING A SNOWMOBILE. There shall be no age limitation for the operation of a snowmobile except that no person under the age of 12 shall drive a snowmobile across any Village street and no person under the age of 16 shall drive a snowmobile across any state trunk highway or connecting street thereto without a valid snowmobile safety certificate.
4. UNATTENDED VEHICLES. No person shall leave or allow a snowmobile owned or operated by him to remain unattended on any public highway or public property while the motor is running or with the starting key left in the ignition.
5. OPERATION ON SIDEWALK PROHIBITED. No person shall operate a snowmobile on any sidewalk or pedestrian way within the Village.

6. **SNOWMOBILE TRAIL.** The Village may permit any organized group or club of snowmobile owners and/or operators authorized by the Village Board to procure, erect and maintain appropriate, tasteful and non-offensive snowmobile route or routes, trail or limit markers, in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance and any amendments thereto. The Village Board shall from time to time review the designation of snowmobile routes and parking areas and shall amend the same as necessary. It may permit access to and from gasoline/service stations within the Village and therefore permit only as designated by the Village Board operation of snowmobiles on village streets to and from snowmobile trails to set points within the Village. The Village President is authorized, upon receipt of a complaint, to close any or all snowmobile routes and parking areas for a temporary period not to exceed the term until the Village Board next regularly meets when it appears necessary to abate excessive noise or otherwise protect persons or property. (See attached map)
7. **BAFFLED MUFFLERS REQUIRED.** No person shall operate nor shall any snowmobile owner knowingly permit another to operate his snowmobile in the Village which is not equipped with a baffled engine muffler which prevents the emission of excessive or unusual noise.
8. **DAMAGE.** An owner and operator of a snowmobile is responsible for damage caused to person and/or property within the Village limits. The safe, lawful and non-offending operation of a snowmobile within the Village is the joint responsibility of both the operator and the owner thereof. The owner of a snowmobile operated within the Village has a duty to see that his snowmobile is operated in a safe, lawful and non-offending manner. Such owner and/or operator, shall be liable for all damages caused by the operation of his snowmobile to persons and property whether operated by him or another.
9. **PENALTY.** The uniform deposit schedule for violations of this ordinance shall be adopted by the State of Wisconsin, Revised Uniform State Traffic Deposit Schedules as referenced previously in this code of ordinances shall apply to any person who violates any provision of this ordinance and the same shall be done in accordance with the Uniform Deposit Schedule established by the Circuit Court for Calumet County.

5.02 BICYCLES

1. **OPERATION OF BICYCLES IN VILLAGE OF STOCKBRIDGE.** Whenever a bicycle is operated in the Village of Stockbridge the following rules apply:
 - a. A person propelling a bicycle shall not ride other than upon or astride a permanent and regular seat attached thereto.
 - b. No bicycle shall be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped.

- c. No person operating a bicycle shall carry any package, bundle or article which prevents the operator from keeping at least one hand upon the handle bars, nor shall such operator engage in trick riding of any kind.
- d. No person riding a bicycle shall attach himself or his bicycle to any vehicle upon a roadway.
- e. No person shall park a bicycle upon a street other than upon the roadway against the curb or upon the sidewalk in a rack to support the bicycle or against a building or at the curb in such a manner to afford the least obstruction to pedestrian traffic.

2. OPERATION OF BICYCLES UPON A ROADWAY. Whenever a bicycle is operated upon a roadway, the following rules apply:

- a. Every person operating a bicycle on a roadway shall ride as near the right side of the roadway as practicable exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle or one proceeding in the same direction.
- b. Persons riding bicycles upon a roadway or bicycle path shall ride single file, except for passing another bicycle or vehicle, in which case the overtaking bicycle shall pass to the left of the overtaken bicycle or vehicle and then only if the same be done with safety to the operator and others.
- c. Whenever a usable path for bicycles has been provided adjacent to a roadway, bicycle riders shall use such path and shall not use the roadway.
- d. Every person propelling or riding a bicycle upon a public highway shall be subject to the provisions of all ordinances and state laws applicable to the operation of any vehicle except those provisions which by their nature shall have no application.

5.03 ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES/4-WHEELERS AND RULES FOR THE PERMISSIVE USE OF BATTERY OPERATED BICYCLES

1. PROHIBITION OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES/4-WHEELERS AND RULES FOR THE PERMISSIVE USE OF BATTERY OPERATED BICYCLES.

- a. No all-terrain vehicle/4-wheeler may be operated on the sidewalks in the Village of Stockbridge or may be operated in and upon walk-ways in any parks in the Village of Stockbridge nor on any property owned by the Village of Stockbridge. The operation of an all-terrain vehicle/4-wheeler is prohibited on any streets or highways within the corporate limits of the Village of Stockbridge.
- b. Battery operated bicycles or motorized scooters cannot be ridden on public roads or streets or alleys of the Village of Stockbridge nor on sidewalks in the Village of

Stockbridge. The basis for this requirement is that motorized scooters have been determined by the Bureau of Transportation Safety of the Department of Transportation for the State of Wisconsin to be play vehicles which cannot be operated on public roads; motorized scooters are motor vehicles that cannot be registered because they do not bear federally required manufacturer's certification of compliance and therefore cannot be operated lawfully on any public road in this State.

- c. Additionally, so as to be consistent with the prohibition regarding all-terrain vehicles and 4-wheelers as set forth in section 1 and 2, no motorized bicycles or motorized scooters may be operated on any property owned by the Village of Stockbridge unless approved by the Village Board.
- d. Under special circumstances, Village residents may utilize golf carts on Village right of way and sidewalks. This may be done via special permit issued by the Village Board.

5.04 PENALTIES

Any person who violates any provision of this ordinance shall be required to forfeit not more than \$20.00 together with the costs of prosecution.