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SNOWMOBILES
VILLAGE OF MANCELONA, MICHIGAN
ord. no. 59 eff. Jan. 13, 1972

An ordinance to regulate the operation of snowmobiles on private and public property within the Village limits: to require certain equipment thereon: and to prescribe rules and regulations for the operation of same: and to provide penalties for violations hereof.

THE VILLAGE OF MANCELONA ORDAINS:

20.451 Section 1. **DEFINITIONS.**

- A. **SNOWMOBILE.** A self-propelled vehicle designed for travel on snow or ice in a natural terrain steered by wheels, skis or runners.
- B. **OPERATE.** To control the operation of a snowmobile.
- C. **OPERATOR.** Any person who operates or is in actual control of a snowmobile. (ord. no. 59 eff. Jan. 13, 1972)

20.452 Section 2. **REGULATIONS.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a snowmobile under the following circumstances:

- A. On private property of another without the express permission to do so by the owner or occupant of said property.
- B. On public school grounds, park property, playgrounds, recreational areas and golf courses without express provision or permission to do so by the proper public authority.
- C. In a manner so as to create loud, unnecessary noise so as to disturb or interfere with the peace and quiet of other person.
- D. In excess of twenty-five (25) miles per hour.
- E. In a careless, reckless or negligent manner so as to endanger the safety of any person or property of any other person.
- F. Without having the snowmobile registered as provided for by Michigan Statute except that this provision shall not apply to the operation of a snowmobile on the private property of the owner by the owner or a member of his immediate family.
- G. Within the right-of-way of any public street within the Village unless the operator has attained the age of twelve (12) and unless supervised by an adult and that

operators ages twelve (12) to sixteen (16) have passed a state safety education course.

(ord. no. 59 eff. Jan. 13 1972, amend. ord. 99 eff. March 11, 2014)

20.453 Section 3. **EXCEPTIONS TO REGULATIONS.**

Notwithstanding the prohibitions of this Ordinance, the parks and recreation director shall have the authority to supervise and regulate events or programs in connection with events or programs in connection with events conducted by the parks and recreation department in which snowmobiles are used. The parks and recreation director shall have the authority to designate city park areas that he shall deem available for use of snowmobiles. (ord. no. 59 eff. Jan. 13, 1972)

20.454 Section 4. **RESERVED.**

Editor's note - The provisions of former 20.454, pertaining to the equipment required for snowmobiles, and derived from ord. no. 59, effective Jan. 13, 1972, were repealed by an amendatory ordinance effective Sept. 7, 1995.

(ord. no. 59 eff. Jan. 13, 1972)

20.455 Section 5. **UNATTENDED VEHICLES.**

It is unlawful for the owner or operator to leave or allow a snowmobile to be or remain unattended on public property while the motor is running or with the keys for starting the vehicle in the ignition.

(ord. no. 59 eff. Jan. 13, 1972)

20.456 Section 6. **RESTRICTION OF OPERATION.**

The Village Council may, by resolution, prohibit the operation of snowmobiles within the right-of-way of the public roads or streets or other Village property within the Village when in their opinion the public safety and welfare so requires.

(ord. no. 59 eff. Jan. 13, 1972)

20.457 Section 7. **TRAFFIC REGULATIONS.**

Each person operating a snowmobile shall strictly observe all traffic signs and signals and all other traffic rules and regulations application thereto, and shall obey the orders and directions of any police officer the Village authorizes to direct or regulate traffic.

(ord. no. 59 eff. Jan. 13, 1972)

20.458 Section 8. **VIOLATION.**

Any person, firm or corporation violating or failing to comply with any provision of this ordinance shall be subject to a civil infraction with a fine of not more than \$500.00 (five

hundred dollars) or a court may order a person who causes damage to the environment, a road or other property as a result of the operation of a snowmobile to pay full restitution for that damage above and beyond the penalties paid for by civil fines. (ord. no. 59 eff. Jan. 13, 1972, amend. ord. 99 eff. March 11, 2014)

20.459 Section 9. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Adopted, approved and passed by the VILLAGE COUNCIL of the VILLAGE OF MANCELONA, this 14th day of DECEMBER, A.D. 1971.
(ord. no. 59 eff. Jan. 13, 1972)