

## CHAPTER 350.

## SNOWMOBILES.

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**350.01 Definitions.** (1) "Fermented malt beverages" has the meaning designated in s. 66.054 (1) (j).

- (2) "Game" has the meaning designated in s. 29.01 (3) (a).
- (3) "Head lamp" has the meaning designated in s. 340.01 (21).
- (4) "Highway" has the meaning designated in s. 340.01 (22).
- (5) "Hours of darkness" has the meaning designated in s. 340.01 (23).
- (6) "Intoxicating liquor" has the meaning designated in s. 176.01 (2).
- (7) "Narcotic drugs" has the meaning designated in s. 161.01 (14).
- (8) "Roadway" has the meaning designated in s. 340.01 (54).
- (9) "Snowmobile" has the meaning designated in s. 340.01 (58a).
- (10) "State trunk highway" has the meaning designated in s. 340.01 (60).
- (11) "Street" has the meaning designated in s. 340.01 (64).
- (12) "Tail lamp" has the meaning designated in s. 340.01 (66).

**History:** 1967 c. 292.

**350.02 Crossing highways.** No person shall operate a snowmobile upon any highway or cross any highway, except as provided in s. 350.03, other than to drive directly across a 2- or 3-lane highway, and then only after stopping and yielding the right of way to all vehicles approaching on the highway.

**History:** 1967 c. 292.

**350.03 Operation of snowmobiles in vicinity of highway.** No person shall operate a snowmobile on any highway, but a snowmobile may be operated outside the ditch line on a 2- or 3-lane highway except as provided in s. 350.02.

**History:** 1967 c. 292.

**350.04 Snowmobile races and derbies.** Any town or municipality may block off the streets of such town or municipality for the purpose of allowing snowmobile races or derbies but the town or municipality shall not be responsible for any injury suffered by anyone in connection with, or arising out of, any such race or derby unless the injury is caused by the negligence of such town or municipality. No state trunk highway or connecting street or part thereof, shall be blocked off by any town or municipality for any snowmobile race or derby. Every town or municipality shall notify the local police department and the county sheriff's office at least one week in advance of the time and place of any snowmobile race or derby which may result in any street or part thereof, of the town or municipality being blocked off. Upon such notice, the local police department shall take such measures as it deems appropriate to protect persons and property and to regulate traffic in the designated area and its vicinity on the day of such race or derby.

**History:** 1967 c. 292.

**350.05 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 highway and no person under the age of 16 shall drive a snowmobile across any state trunk highway or connecting street thereto.

**History:** 1967 c. 292.

**350.06 Firearms and bows.** No person shall operate or ride in any snowmobile with any firearm in his possession unless it is unloaded and enclosed in a carrying case, or any bow unless it is unstrung or enclosed in a carrying case.

**History:** 1967 c. 292.

**350.07 Driving bear or deer prohibited.** No person shall drive or pursue any deer or bear with a snowmobile.

**History:** 1967 c. 292.

**350.08 Owner permitting operation.** No owner or other person having charge or control of a snowmobile shall knowingly authorize or permit any person to operate such snowmobile who is incapable, by reason of age, physical or mental disability, or is under the influence of intoxicating liquor, fermented malt beverages, narcotics or other drugs.

**History:** 1967 c. 292.

**350.09 Head lamps and tail lamps.** Any snowmobile crossing or driving along the right of way, operated during hours of darkness, shall display a lighted head lamp and tail lamp.

**History:** 1967 c. 292.

**350.10 Miscellaneous provisions for snowmobile operation.** No person shall operate a snowmobile in the following manner:

- (1) At a rate of speed that is unreasonable or improper under the circumstances.
- (2) In any careless way so as to endanger the person or property of another.
- (3) While under the influence of intoxicating liquor, fermented malt beverages, narcotics or other drugs.
- (4) In such a way that the exhaust of the motor makes an excessive or unusual noise.
- (5) Without a functioning muffler.

**History:** 1967 c. 292.

**350.11 Penalties.** Any person who violates any provision of this chapter may be fined not less than \$10 nor more than \$20 for the first offense and not less than \$25 nor more than \$50 for the 2nd or subsequent offense within a year.

**History:** 1967 c. 292.