



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2013 Wisconsin Act 353
[2013 Senate Bill 482]

**Snowmobile Safety Program
Field Training Requirements**

Wisconsin law requires the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to establish a program of instruction on snowmobile laws, snowmobile safety, and related subjects. The program must be conducted by instructors certified by DNR. A person who satisfactorily completes the program receives a snowmobile safety certificate from DNR. A person who is at least 12 years of age and who is born on or after January 1, 1985, is prohibited from operating a snowmobile unless he or she holds a valid snowmobile safety certificate.

2013 Wisconsin Act 353 prohibits a snowmobile safety program instructor conducting a snowmobile safety program from allowing a person taking the program to operate a snowmobile as part of a field training exercise unless the snowmobile is in good working order and is equipped with a device that limits the speed of the snowmobile to 15 miles per hour.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov>.