

**Town of Namakagon
Snowmobile Route Ordinance
17**

The Town of Namakagon does repeal and recreate the following:

Section I Title and Purpose

The title of this ordinance is the Town of Namakagon Snowmobile Route Ordinance. The purpose of this ordinance is to establish snowmobile routes that use public roads/fire lanes in the Town of Namakagon and to regulate the operation of snowmobiles on these town roads.

Section II Authority

The town Board of the Town of Namakagon, Bayfield County, Wisconsin, has specific authority to adopt this snowmobile route ordinance under s. 350.18 (3) (a) Wis, stats

Section III Adoption of Ordinance

This ordinance adopted on proper notice with a quorum and roll call vote by a majority of the town board present and voting, provides the authority for the town to designate snowmobile routes in the town and to regulate the use of these routes and snowmobiles in the town.

Section IV Operation of Snowmobiles

Pursuant to s. 350.18(3)(a) Wis. stats except as otherwise provided in s. 350.18, Wis stats., no person may operate a snowmobile on the roadway portion of any road in the town except on roadways designated as snowmobile routes by this ordinance or as a means for persons to travel from a residence or lodging establishment for the shortest distance that is necessary to gain access to a snowmobile route or trail.

Section V Designation of Snowmobile routes

The following town roads/fire lanes shall be open to snowmobile traffic:

1. FR193 Wilderness Rd. from Ashland County line to FR 191, Old Grade Rd.
2. FR 191 Old Grade Rd. from FR 193 Wilderness Rd. to Grandview town line.
3. FR 341 Ehrman Rd. from FR 191 Old Grade Rd. to Hwy M.
4. Job Corps Rd. from FR 191 to Chippewa Lake
5. Chippewa Landing Rd from FR 341 to Chippewa Lake
6. Old Namakagon Road, from Hwy M at FR 341 Ehrman Rd on east to Hwy M at west.
7. FR 204 Ghost Creek Rd from town line to Old Namakagon Rd.
8. Mc Cloud Lake Rd were snowmobile trail intesects on east side of road east to were snowmobile trail intersects road on west side. .
9. Birch Bend Rd, from junction of Cty. Hwy.D and Cty. Hwy.M north to Cty. Hwy. D
10. FR 200 MCCain Springs Rd. Behind Town Hall to Fr 203 Lost Land Lake Rd.

11. FR 203 Lost Land Lake Rd. from town line to Garmisch Rd.
12. Garmisch Rd from FR 203 to Garmisch entrance.
13. FR 207 Rock Lake Rd. from town line to trail at Lakewoods.
14. FR211 Dam Rd from trail intersection south of Namakagon River bridge to Fr 211B north of bridge.

The Town of Namakagon reserves the right to open any road in the town for a snowmobile route due to changing conditions and situations.

Section VI Conditions Applicable to Snowmobilers on town roads and fire lanes.

The following restrictions are placed on the use of the town roads as snowmobile routes designated by this ordinance every year from December 1st to April 30th.

A. Town roadways designated as snowmobile routes shall be marked with uniform snowmobile route signs in accordance with s.350.13,Wis. Stats. No person may do any of the following in regard to signs marking town snowmobile routes:

1. Intentionally remove, damage, deface, move, or obstruct any uniform snowmobile route or trail sign or standard of the type established by the State of Wisconsin, Department of Natural Resources or intentionally interfere with the effective operation of any uniform snowmobile route or trail sign or standard if the sign or standard is legally placed by the state, any municipality, or any authorized individual.

2. Possess any uniform snowmobile route or trail sign or standard of the type established by the State of Wisconsin, Department of Natural Resources for the warning instruction, or information of the public, unless he or she obtained the uniform snowmobile route sign or standard in a lawful manner. Possession of a uniform snowmobile route or trail sign or standard creates a rebuttable presumption of illegal possession.

3. Only persons authorized by the Town of Namakagon may install trail signs on any snowmobile routes in the town.

B. Operation shall be subject to all provisions of s. 350.04(2), Wis. stats., and any other provision of chapter 350. Wis. stats, which is adopted as a part of this ordinance by reference, pursuant to s. 350.18, Wis. stats.

C. Further restrictions

1. Snowmobiles shall be operated on the right shoulder (where possible) of the roadway and travel with the flow of traffic.
2. Snowmobiles are to be operated in single file.
3. Headlights on at all times.
4. Snowmobile operators shall yield the right-of-way to other vehicular traffic and pedestrians.
5. All snowmobile operators shall observe posted roadway speed limits.
6. All snowmobile operators shall slow the vehicle to 10 mph or less when operating within 150 feet of a dwelling.

Section VII **Enforcement**

This ordinance may be enforced by any law enforcement officer authorized to enforce the laws of the State of Wisconsin.

Section VIII **Penalties**

The penalties under s. 350.18(3) (a) Wis. stats., are adopted by reference.

Section IX **Severability**

If any provision of this ordinance or it's application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are severable.

This ordinance amends Snowmobile Ordinance #17, dated February 12, 1971, #31 dated January 9, 1996 and any other snowmobile ordinances that the town may have on record that were written before the of adoption of this ordinance.

This ordinance will be in effect upon approval of the Town Board of Namakagon

A copy of this ordinance shall be sent by the town clerk to the Bayfield County Sheriff's Department

Section X **Effective Date**

This ordinance is effective on publication or posting.

The town clerk shall properly publish this ordinance as required under s. 60.80. Wis. stats

Adopted this 14th day of December, 2010