

VILLAGE OF HEWITT
Hewitt, Wisconsin 54441

Ordinance 1986.10

SNOWMOBILE USAGE

The Village Board of the Village of Hewitt, Wood County, Wisconsin, does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1 - PURPOSE

1. To regulate the usage of snowmobiles within the Village of Hewitt.

SECTION 2 - DEFINITIONS

1. **HIGHWAY**
Means any public way or thoroughfare and bridges on the same that is not maintained by the Village of Hewitt. For the purposes of this ordinance it shall be County Trunk T.
2. **SNOWMOBILE TRAIL**
Means a marked corridor or trail on public or private property lands subject to public easement or lease as well as private easement or lease, designated for use by snowmobile operators.
3. **STREET**
Means any Village of Hewitt public way or thoroughfare and or bridge(s) used for the purpose of vehicular travel within the Village of Hewitt that is maintained by the Village of Hewitt.

SECTION 3 - OPERATION OF SNOWMOBILES ON OR IN THE VICINITY OF HIGHWAYS (COUNTY TRUNK T)

1. No person may operate a snowmobile upon any part of County Trunk T within the Village of Hewitt except as follows:
 - A. Snowmobiles may be operated for emergency purposes on any highway during a period of emergency. For the purpose of this ordinance an emergency would include any life threatening condition such as medical, fire, or other, where it would be **impossible** to use an automobile or similar operated vehicle.

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- B. Where a designated snowmobile trail crosses said highway.

SECTION 4 - OPERATION OF SNOWMOBILES ON OR NEAR VILLAGE STREETS

- 1. No person shall operate a snowmobile on any Village Street except as follows:
 - A. Only on Village Streets which have been designated as part of a "Snowmobile Trail" and are so indicated by proper posting.

SECTION 5 - RIGHT OF WAY

- 1. The operator of a snowmobile shall slow his/her vehicle to a speed not to exceed 10 miles per hour and yield the right-of-way when traveling within 100 feet of a person who is not on a snowmobile.
- 2. The operator of a snowmobile shall yield the right-of-way to all other vehicular traffic.
- 3. Streets and/or highways designated as snowmobile trails within the Village of Hewitt shall be appropriately posted.

SECTION 6 - GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR SNOWMOBILE OPERATION WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF HEWITT

- 1. No person shall operate a snowmobile in the following manner on any Village Street, Highway, or other designated areas as follows:
 - A. At a rate of speed that is unreasonable or improper under the circumstances.
 - B. At a rate of speed exceeding 10 miles per hour within the Village boundaries.
 - C. In any careless way so as to endanger the person or property of another.
 - D. While under the influence of alcoholic beverages or controlled substances or a combination thereof, which renders him/her incapable of safely operating a snowmobile.
 - E. In such a way that the exhaust of the motor makes an excessive or unusual noise.

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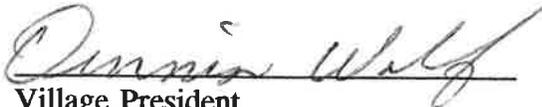
- F. Without a functioning muffler.
- G. On the private property of another without the consent/permission of the property owner.
- H. Between the hours of 10:30 PM and 7:00 AM when within 150 feet of a dwelling at a rate of speed exceeding 10 miles per hour.
- I. On an ice skating area.
- J. On or across a cemetery, burial ground, any school or church property.
- K. On any public property, including Village property, unless so designated as part of a "snowmobile trail".

SECTION 7 - PENALTIES

- 1. Any person who violates any provisions of this ordinance shall forfeit not more than \$250.00 but not less than \$25.00 per occurrence.

SECTION 8 - STATE STATUTES

This ordinance upon adoption, hereby, adopts all State regulations and subsections of the Wisconsin Statutes, Chapter 350 in whole as if they were stated herein.


Village President

Date 7-14-92


Village Clerk

Date 7-14-92