

# **LAKES OF THE FOUR SEASONS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION**

## **SNOWMOBILE RULES AND REGULATIONS**

A snowmobile is designed to be a safe vehicle when used as intended. However, there has never been any type of vehicle produced that is absolutely mechanically fail-safe. The key to safe operation is “your knowledge of the vehicle”:

- a. Recognizing and accepting it as a machine.
- b. Respecting its capabilities and its limitations.
- c. Varying operating conditions.
- d. Knowledge of laws.
- e. Good judgment and courtesy.

The following rules and regulations have been established by the Lakes of the Four Seasons Snowmobile Committee and approved by the Board of Directors for snowmobile operations. (“All Terrain Vehicles”, operated off-road, must comply with snowmobile rules and regulations).

1. The Community Manager of Lakes of the Four Seasons shall cause to have published in the Seasonal, a listing of those roads and areas of the grounds that may be designated as permissible for snowmobile travel. He further shall cause to have posted a notice of permission to operate snowmobiles on any or all of the designated roads and areas of the grounds as weather conditions and snow cover, in his opinion, permit. Whether posted or not, operators of snowmobiles must refer to these rules and ascertain from the Security Department that it is permissible before using their snowmobiles in Lakes of the Four Seasons at any time.

2. No snowmobile shall be operated within Lakes of the Four Seasons without an annual POA decal issued by the Lakes of the Four Seasons Property Owners Association, Inc. Only those snowmobiles owned by a resident may be operated within Lakes of the Four Seasons. A property owner may request a daily guest pass from the POA office or the Security Department authorizing an invited guest to operate their snowmobile when the property owner would not be present. This property owner shall be liable for the guest’s activities, including payment for fines or damages.

3. No POA decal shall be issued unless a State of Indiana registration and proof of liability and property damage insurance is filed with the Lakes of the Four Seasons Property Owners Association, Inc. in the following minimum amounts: \$100,000 personal liability, \$25,000 property damage.

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4. A snowmobile may be operated on Lakes of the Four Seasons roads or grounds for special events of limited duration conducted according to pre-arranged schedule, only under permit from the Lakes of the Four Seasons Community Manager.

5. The operator of a snowmobile may cross Lakes of the Four Seasons roadway at right angles for the purpose of getting from one area to another, when this crossing can be done safely. The operator shall bring the snowmobile to a complete stop before proceeding across the road and shall yield the right-of-way to all traffic and pedestrians.

6. While operating any motorized vehicle, including snowmobiles, within Lakes of the Four Seasons, the operator must adhere to all state and Lakes of the Four Seasons rules and regulations pertaining to that type of vehicle. Including all legal safety equipment, passenger guidelines, traffic rules, and maintain the motor vehicle and its noise dissipative device in good working order.

7. No crossing of the roadway is authorized at, or in the immediate vicinity of Dam A or Dam B. **NO SNOWMOBILES SHALL BE OPERATED ON ANY LAKES OF THE LAKES OF THE FOUR SEASONS AT ANY TIME.**

8. No snowmobiles or motorized vehicles, other than golf carts, are allowed to operate on any portion of the golf course.

9. No motorized vehicles, including snowmobiles, are allowed to operate in any park, on any beach or on any baseball, softball or soccer fields.

10. A snowmobile shall not be operated at night unless it has at least one headlight and one taillight.

11. The following curfew hours apply to snowmobiling (they cannot be operated):

Sunday through Thursday	10:30PM to 8:00AM
Friday and Saturday	1:00AM to 8:00AM

12. A person must be at least sixteen (16) years of age to operate any motorized vehicle, including a snowmobile, within Lakes of the Four Seasons.

13. The operator of any motorized vehicle must possess and be able to produce a current, valid driver's license for age verification and identification purposes.

14. The operation of motorized vehicles is restricted from all private property without the consent of the property owner.

15. Snowmobiles shall not be operated in a reckless manner.

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16. A snowmobile operator (or the property owner) will be liable for any damage caused to POA or private property within the Lakes of the Four Seasons.

17. The POA decal shall be affixed to the lower left side of the windshield. The state registration numbers will be displayed on each side of the snowmobile, as required by the State of Indiana.

18. Snowmobilers should use extreme caution when riding on the berm. They should be as close to the roadway as possible, for safety reasons, due to snow camouflaging the depth of swales or resident's landscaping. Snowmobilers are not allowed to use the berm if the resident complains.

19. Snowmobile "Quiet Zones" shall be observed.

The following Fine Schedule is applicable for violation of any of the snowmobile regulations:

- Speeding - \$50.00 + \$1.00 for every MPH over limit.
- Snowmobiling after curfew hours - \$50.00.
- Snowmobiling without a POA decal – the fine is the cost of registration PLUS the price for proper registration.
- Fleeing Security Officer - \$200.00.
- Snowmobiling when no snowmobiling is authorized - \$50.00.
- OWI - \$200.00.
- Reckless operation - \$200.00.
- Failure to maintain the noise dissipative device - \$50.00.
- Any other offense not specifically listed herein - \$50.00.

During any snowmobiling season, for multiple offenses, the basic fine for the first two violations is listed above. The fine for the third offense shall be determined by multiplying the basic fine by two, and the fine for all offenses thereafter shall be determined by multiplying the basic fine for such category by three. However, at the discretion of the Community Manager, snowmobiling privileges may be withdrawn for the remainder of the season, for any individual who commits three offenses in one season.

**REMEMBER:** Rules and regulations are made to restrict the actions of those people who are inconsiderate toward the property and rights of others. If you in any way violate the laws of the state or the Lakes of the Four Seasons, you are being inconsiderate and should and WILL suffer the consequences. Know and obey all the rules and regulations set up by your Lakes of the Four Seasons Snowmobile Committee.

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Be it resolved that the Lakes of the Four Seasons Property Owners Association Board of Directors has voted unanimously on the 9<sup>th</sup>. Day of December, 2002 to revise the Snowmobile Rules and Regulations.

\* Amended on November 12, 2007 per the Fine Structure