Your cooperation is necessary to help protect state forest and park lands, the wildlife and its habitat and to ensure that other public values and recreational uses are not adversely affected. Snowmobile roads are for snowmobiles and licensed motor vehicles, and have caution signs at all road intersections.

Snowmobile trails are for snowmobiles only, and have snowmobile trail signs at all intersections with state forest roads. Trails on pipelines and old logging roads are marked with orange diamonds. Operate your snowmobile so you would a car. Drive in the right hand side as most snowmobile trails are two-way.

Operation of a snowmobile on state forest and state park land:
- is not permitted from April 2nd through the last day of the regular rifle or extended deer season as established by the Game Commission.
- is restricted to trails and roads designated and posted for such use.
- in a reckless or negligent manner is prohibited.
- on frozen water surfaces and shorelines is prohibited.

Trail use is regulated by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources’ local District Forester.

To make the use of these facilities safe and enjoyable for yourself and others, please obey the following rules:
- Do not remove, injure or damage anything natural or physical within any state forest.
- Certain areas (newly seeded or planted areas, wildlife wintering areas, etc.) are closed to snowmobiling. Preserve your sport by not entering areas closed to snowmobiles.
- All trash and refuse must be carried out.
- Do not carry loaded firearms on snowmobiles.
- In the event of hazardous conditions endangering life or property, any state forest area or facility may be closed to public use.
- The rules and regulations for state forests apply year round.

Be informed of local weather forecasts. Dress and equip yourself appropriately.

Whenever possible, snowmobilers should use the “buddy” system and sign in and out where a register has been provided.

Snowmobile Hotline
For regional trail reports 717-877-5651
Toll-Free 1-877-566-6253 (1-877-SNO-MBLE)

Emergency Service Call 911
State Police at Laporte
Sullivan County
(570) 358-8256
State Police at Montoursville
Lycoming County
(570) 358-5200

General Information
Loyalsock State Forest District Office
Laporte
(717) 864-9049
www.dcnr.state.pa.us/paforestry/snowmobile/index.aspx

State Forests with Snowmobile Trails

The snowmobile permanent registration number consisting of one capital letter and four numerals (A 1234, for example) is shown on the registration certificate. Two black-and-white decals bearing the unique registration number assigned to each snowmobile are provided when the machine is originally registered. The registration decals must be affixed to each side of the snowmobile’s cowling forward of the handle bars, a minimum of 12 inches from the ground.

Insurance
All snowmobiles are required to be covered by a liability insurance policy when operating anywhere except on the owner’s private property. The operator is required to carry proof of liability insurance.

Validation Decals
The colored decals issued with your registration certificate are to be affixed to the machine to the RIGHT of the permanent registration number decals as shown in the drawing (right). Validation decals expire on June 30th of odd numbered years.

Snowmobile Code of Ethics
1. I will be a good sportsman. I recognize that people judge all snowmobile owners by my actions. I will use my influence with other snowmobile owners to promote sportsmanlike conduct.
2. I will not litter trails or camping areas. I will not pollute streams or lakes.
3. I will not damage living trees, shrubs, or other natural features.
4. I will respect other people’s property and rights.
5. I will lend a helping hand when I see someone in distress.
6. I will make myself and my vehicle available to assist search and rescue parties.
7. I will not interfere with or harass hikers, skiers, snowshoers, ice fishermen or other winter sportsmen. I will respect their rights to enjoy our recreation facilities.
8. I will know and obey all federal, state and local rules regulating the operation of snowmobiles in areas where I use my vehicle. I will inform public officials when using public lands.
9. I will not harass wildlife. I will avoid areas posted for the protection of the fleeing of wildlife.
10. I will avoid cross-country travel unless specifically authorized.

Snowmobiles, please be on the watch for cross-country skiers. Skiers sometimes use trails designated for snowmobiles. Some designated cross-country ski trails intersect with designated snowmobile trails.

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the map on the reverse side. Because of last minute changes and possible errors in reporting, the map should not be considered the final word. All roads open for snowmobiling MUST be so designated with signs to be legally open for snowmobiles.