The Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources welcomes you to the Rothrock State Forest system of snowmobile trails and roads.

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 as 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 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.

#### **General Information Rothrock State Forest District Office** (814) 643-2340

http://www.dcnr.pa.gov/ Recreation/WhatToDo/ Snowmobiling/Pages/default.aspx **Emergency Service** Call 911 Mount Nittany Medical Center 1800 East Park Avenue State College, PA 16803 (814) 231-7000 Lewistown Hospital 400 Highland Avenue Lewistown, PA 17044 717-248-5411 JC Blair Memorial Hospital 1225 Warm Springs Avenue Huntington, PA 16652 (814) 643-2290



A snowmobile is only as safe as the person operating it. The key to safe operation is knowing your snowmobile, using good judgment, and courtesy.

The Safe Riders! Snowmobile Safety Awareness Program has been produced by the **International Association of Snowmobile Administrators** in partnership with the American

**Council of Snowmobile Associations to** further awareness of safe snowmobiling practices. This program was developed with financial assistance from the Recreational Trails Program administered by the U.S. Department of Transportation -Federal Highway Administration and support from the International

**Snowmobile Manufacturers Association.** 

### http://www.saferiderssafetyawareness.org/

## **Registration**

All snowmobiles used in Pennsylvania, except those used exclusively on the property of the owner of the snowmobile, must be registered with the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' Snowmobile/ATV Registration Section. Applications for registration of snowmobiles are available from the Snowmobile/ ATV Registration Section, snowmobile dealers, forest district and state park offices, or at https://www.snowatvreg.dcnr.pa.gov/. The snowmobile registration application form must be completed and sent to the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Snowmobile/ATV Registration Section, 1109 South Front Street, Harrisburg PA 17104, along with the registration fee and sales tax statement (toll free 1-866-545-2476.) Exempt from these registration requirements are snowmobiles owned by non-residents covered by a valid registration in another state that honors Pennsylvania registration.

Temporary registrations are available from most snowmobile dealers.

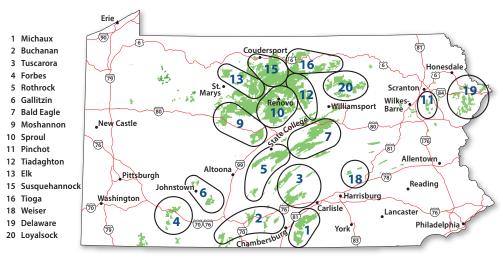
To make the use of these facilities safe and enjoyable for yourself and others, please obey the following rules:

- Do not remove, injure or damage anything natural or physical within any state forest.
- Certain areas (newly seeded or planted areas, wild and natural 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.

## **State Forests with Snowmobile Trails**



## **Registration Decals**

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 decal as shown in the drawing (right). Validation decals expire on June 30th of odd numbered years.

## Wind Chill

		Actu	al Tem	peratu	re (°F)								
		50	40	30	20	10	0	-10	-20	-30	-40	-50	-60
		Wind Chill: Feels Like											
Snowmobile Speed (mph)	0	50	40	30	20	10	0	-10	-20	-30	-40	-50	-60
	5	48	37	27	16	6	-5	-15	-26	-36	-47	-57	-68
	10	40	28	16	4	-9	-21	-33	-46	-58	-70	-83	-95
	15	36	22	9	-5	-18	-36	-45	-58	-72	-85	-99	-112
	20	32	18	4	-10	-25	-39	-53	-67	-82	-96	-110	-124
	25	30	16	0	-15	-29	-44	-59	-74	-88	-104	-118	-133
	30	28	13	-2	-18	-33	-48	-63	-79	-94	-109	-125	-140
	35	27	11	-4	-20	-35	-49	-67	-82	-98	-113	-129	-145
	40	26	10	-6	-21	-37	-53	-69	-85	-100	-116	-132	-148
Danger from freezing of exposed skin Little Danger for properly clothed person						Increasing DANGER			GREAT DANGER				

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- or lakes.
- *3. I* will not damage living trees, shrubs, or other natural features. 4. I will respect other people's property and rights.

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- and rescue parties.

Snowmobilers, 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.



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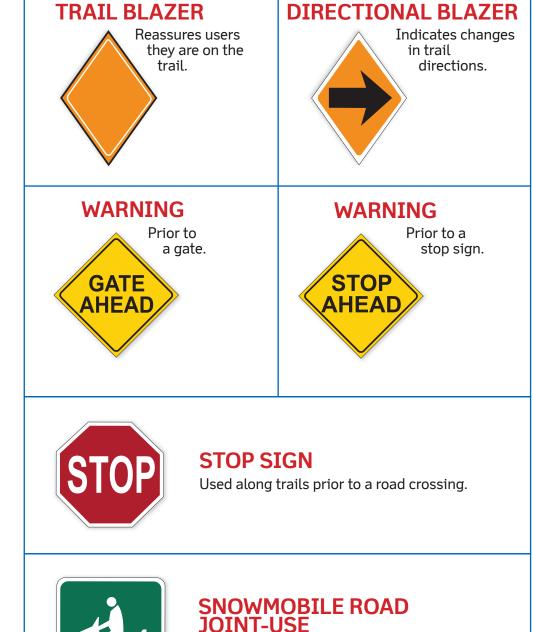
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**\* Trail System** 

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## Watch for These Signs



## Public roadway open for use by snowmobiles and licensed motor vehicles.

## 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

- 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
- 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 or feeding of wildlife.
- 10. I will avoid cross-country travel unless specifically authorized.

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.