

**CITY OF COHASSET
ORDINANCE NO. 35
AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE
REGULATION AND USE OF SNOWMOBILES
WITHIN THE CITY OF COHASSET**

Section 1: For the purpose of this Ordinance, the terms defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them.

Subd. 1 "Person" includes an individual, partnership, corporation, the State and its agencies and subdivisions, and any body of persons, whether incorporated or not.

Subd. 2 "Snowmobile" means a self propelled vehicle designed for travel on snow or ice or natural terrain steered by skis or runners.

Subd. 3 "Owner" means a person other than a person with a security interest in or title to a snowmobile and entitled to the use and possession of same.

Subd. 4 "Operate" means to ride in or on and control the operation of the snowmobile.

Subd. 5 "Operator" means every person who operates or is in actual physical control of a snowmobile.

Subd. 6 "Roadway" means that portion of highway improved, designed or ordinarily used for vehicular traffic.

Section 2: Except as herein specifically permitted and authorized it is unlawful for any persons to operate a snowmobile within the limits of the city of Cohasset, Minnesota.

Subd. 1 Snowmobiles shall not be operated on private property of another without specific permission of the owner or person in control of said property.

Subd. 2 In platted areas, snowmobiles shall be operated on the roadway of streets, avenues, and alleyways of the city, except:

- A. On any school grounds when children are present or any city park land except on designated snowmobile trails or parking lots.
- B. On the East End of Lake Street where the designated snowmobiles trail must be used.

Any snowmobile operator may travel on a street taking the most direct route to a designated trail.

Subd. 3 A snowmobile may be operated on any roadway of the city in an emergency during the period of time when and at the location where snow upon the roadway renders travel by automobile impractical.

Subd. 4 In unplatted areas of the city outside of the downtown area snowmobiles may be operated in city road right-of-ways.

Subd. 5 A snowmobile must be operated as follows:

- A. As far to the right as is reasonable and prudent, without traveling on any snow banked along the street, avenue, or alley.

- B. The operator stops at every intersection.
- C. The operator yields to the right of way of all motor vehicles and pedestrians.
- D. The snowmobile is not operated at a speed greater than 1 mile per hour on city streets, avenues and alleyways within the city.
- E. All snowmobiles traveling in the same direction on city streets, avenues and alleyways within the city must travel in single file.
- F. The snowmobile is operated on city streets, avenues and alleyways between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 1:30 A.M. or except in an emergency during the period of the time when and at the location where snow upon the roadway renders travel by automobile impractical.
- G. Drivers of snowmobiles must abide by all Minnesota state status and regulations.
- H. Snowmobiles shall not be operated before 8:00 a.m. and after 10:00 p.m. unless they are in a direct route to and from home.

Section 3: All provisions of Minnesota statutes, to-wit: Minnesota Statutes §84.81 or §84.915 snowmobile rules and regulations and all amendments thereto which regulate the operation of snowmobiles upon public street, highways, or public right of way in the State of Minnesota shall apply to the operation of snowmobiles within the corporate limits of Cohasset.

Section 4: PENALTY: Any person violating any provision of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a maximum penalty not to exceed the state penalties for misdemeanors.

Section 5: This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Adopted and passed by the Cohasset City Council this 25 day of March, 2003.

Marian Barcus, Mayor

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ATTEST:

Debra Sakrison

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