

Allegheny National Forest (ANF) Snowmobile Trails

Snowmobile Information

The PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources offers a snowmobile hotline (877-766-6253) with information on snow conditions and grooming updated every Tuesday and Friday. The Allegheny National Forest has a recorded phone message with trail and snow conditions available after business hours (814-723-5150). A user will need to push option 2, option 1, and then option 3 to get to the snowmobile information. The Forest website (<http://fs.usda.gov/allegheny>) also provides snow conditions.



Trail users should be aware of local trail conditions, other vehicle traffic and potential safety hazards. Many of our trails are on joint use roads.

Users should be aware that they may encounter vehicles, snowshoers, and skiers on snowmobile trails at any time. Please travel with caution.

Hundreds of miles of trails and roads on state forest and state park lands and the Allegheny National Forest have been designated for snowmobile use. Additional snowmobile trail information including maps and winter trail conditions are available from the Bureau of Forestry website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/forestry/index.aspx or from the PA Bureau of Forestry, Recreation Section.

For More Information On Snowmobile Activities:

PENNSYLVANIA STATE SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION (PSSA)
Telephone: 1-888-411-7772
www.pasnow.org

INTERNATIONAL SNOWMOBILE MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION (ISMA)
Telephone: (517) 339-7788
www.snowmobile.org

AMERICAN COUNCIL OF SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATIONS (ACSA)
Telephone: (517) 351-4362
www.snowmobilers.org

Snowmobile Rules

TOWNSHIP AND MUNICIPAL ROADS

Persons under 16 years of age are prohibited from operating a snowmobile on township/municipal roads. Persons age 10-15 can make a direct crossing of a street or two-lane highway provided they are under the direct supervision of a person 18 years of age or older.

FOREST SERVICE ROADS AND TRAILS

Forest roads that are designated as joint-use roads are posted with a **CAUTION** sign like the example below. **Forest trails** are posted with a brown sign containing the side view silhouette of a snowmobile and a rider in white. Persons age 1-15 may ride on these designated Forest roads and trails only if they hold a valid safety certificate issued by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, another State, or a Providence of Canada and are under the direct supervision of a person 18 years of age or older. No child under the age of 10 is allowed to operate a snowmobile on the Allegheny National Forest.



Snowmobile Safety Course

Safety training courses are given by trained volunteer instructors. All youth ages 10-15 who complete the course will receive a safety course certificate and a graduate patch. For information on a safety instructor near you contact DCNR's Bureau of Forestry at (717) 783-7941 or the PA State Snowmobile Association at 1-888-411-PSSA.

Liability Insurance

Liability for negligence in the use or operation of a snowmobile is attributable to the owner of the snowmobile. A snowmobile that is operated anywhere other than one's own land must have liability insurance. The operator must carry proof of this coverage. The law does not specify a minimum dollar amount for this coverage.

Local Tourism Information:

Elk & Forest Counties

www.visitpago.com

GREAT OUTDOORS VISITOR BUREAU
2801 Maplevale Road • Brookville, Pa 15825
Toll Free: 1-800-348-9393

Warren County

www.wcvb.net

WARREN COUNTY VISITORS BUREAU
22045 Route 6
Warren, Pa 16365
Telephone: (814) 726-1222
Toll Free: 1-800-624-7802

McKean County

www.visitanf.com

ALLEGHENY NATIONAL FOREST VACATION BUREAU
80 E. Corydon Street, Suite 114
Bradford, Pa 16701
Toll Free: 1-800-473-9370

Helmets

It is illegal to operate a snowmobile without a securely fastened helmet on the head of the operator. Passenger must also wear a securely fastened helmet.

ALL MOTORIZED VEHICLES ARE PROHIBITED ON THE ALLEGHENY RESERVOIR'S FROZEN SURFACE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO SNOWMOBILES, ATV'S, AND AMPHIBIOUS CRAFT.

Registration

General Registration

Pennsylvania residents owning and intending to use their snowmobile in Pennsylvania (except those used exclusively as a farm or business vehicle) must be registered with the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR), Snowmobile/ATV Registration Section.

This registration permits the sled to be operated off the owner's or operator's private property. The registration fee is \$20 for two years.

The owner is provided with two black and white registration decals, two expiration stickers, and a certificate of registration wallet.

Applications for registration of snowmobiles are available from DCNR's Snowmobile/ATV

Registration Section. The Snowmobile registration application form must be completed and sent to the DCNR, Snowmobile/ATV section, P.O. Box 8553, Harrisburg, PA 17105-8553, along with the required fee and sales tax statement. Registration applications are also available from: snowmobile dealers, Forest Districts and State Park offices or on the web at www.dcnr.state.pa.us/snowmobile/index/.

Exempt from these registration requirements are snowmobiles owned by non-residents covered by a valid registration in their state, province or country that honors Pennsylvania's registration.

Non-Resident Registration

To legally operate a snowmobile in Pennsylvania that is registered in another state where Pennsylvania's registration is NOT honored, the snowmobile must be registered in Pennsylvania. The owner will receive two registration decals, two expiration stickers, and a registration card. Pennsylvania's registration number decals need not be displayed if the home state registration

number and validation decals are properly visible, but the Pennsylvania expiration stickers must be displayed on both sides of the cowling next to the home state registration and the registration card must be carried by the operator. Proof of liability insurance is also required.

Temporary Registrations are available from registered snowmobile dealers.

Titles

All snowmobiles in Pennsylvania must have a title issued by DCNR. The cost of the title is \$22.50. The only exceptions to this requirement are those snowmobiles registered with the Department prior to October 23, 2001. These snowmobiles do not require a title until they are transferred to a new owner.

Registration Numbers

The five-digit registration number containing a combination of numbers and letters is printed on an adhesive backed decal, which measures three inches in height and four inches in width. These permanent registration decals are to be attached to each side of the snowmobile's cowling forward of the handlebars, or on the outside of each trailing edge of the windshield. These decals remain with the snowmobile if it is sold or transferred to a different owner.

General Registration requires a valid expiration sticker to be attached to the RIGHT of both permanent registration decals.

For Snowmobile Information Contact:

ALLEGHENY NATIONAL FOREST:

SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE
4 FARM COLONY DRIVE
WARREN, PA 16365
Telephone: (814) 723-5150

BRADFORD RANGER DISTRICT
29 FOREST SERVICE DR.
BRADFORD, PA 16701
Telephone: (814) 362-4613

MARIENVILLE RANGER DISTRICT
131 SMOKEY LANE
MARIENVILLE, PA 16239
Telephone: (814) 927-6628

<http://fs.usda.gov/allegheny>

PA DEPT. OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES:

SNOWMOBILE/ATV SECTION
P.O. BOX 8553
HARRISBURG, PA 17105-8553
Toll Free: 1-866-545-2476

www.dcnr.state.pa.us/forestry/recreation/snowmobile/index.htm



www.dcnr.state.pa.us/info/pawilds/

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