

Chapter 10.12

SNOWMOBILES

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10.12.010 Purpose.

In order to assist users of tracked vehicles commonly described as snowmobiles to transport snowmobiles from places of storage to locations for recreation or other purposes not located upon public streets,

alleyways or other public thoroughfares located within the city limits of Montpelier, Idaho, the following restrictions, regulations and penalties will be enforced by the law enforcement agencies of the city of Montpelier. (Ord. 442 § 1 (part), 1971)

10.12.020 Definitions.

As used in this chapter:

“Public street” means a street, alleyway or other public thoroughfare which is maintained for winter use.

“Sidewalk” shall refer to those sidewalks used for public use which are maintained for use in the wintertime. The term will not include sidewalks not cleaned and maintained for winter use during periods of time when snow is on the ground. (Ord. 442 § 1 (part), 1971)

10.12.030 Driver's license required.

No person shall be allowed to operate a snowmobile along a maintained public street, alley or thoroughfare located within the city of Montpelier unless he has been issued a valid Idaho state operator's license in accordance with the Idaho statutes for purpose of operating a motor vehicle upon a public highway, and said operator will be required to have said driver's license in his possession while operating said snowmobile on the public thoroughfare. (Ord. 442 § 3, 1971)

10.12.040 Speed limit.

No snowmobile or snow machine may be operated upon any city street or thoroughfare within the city limits in the city of Montpelier at a rate of speed in excess of fifteen (15) miles per hour. (Ord. 442 § 3, 1971)

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10.12.050 Stop required at all intersections.

Operators of snowmobiles on public streets in the city of Montpelier shall bring said snowmobile to a full and complete stop at every intersection where two or more streets cross, regardless of the type of traffic control displayed at the various intersections, or in the absence of said traffic control, sign or symbol. (Ord. 442 § 4, 1971)

10.12.060 Operation on extreme right-hand side of roadway required.

Any operation of snowmobiles on the public streets or thoroughfares of the city of Montpelier shall be restricted exclusively to the extreme right-hand side of said roadway while operating said snowmobile as closely to the right-hand side of the street as possible, and the operation of a snow machine directly in the lane of traffic as utilized by wheeled vehicles is prohibited. It is further prohibited to operate snowmobiles on public streets in any manner other than single file along the extreme right-hand side of the road. (Ord. 442 § 5, 1971)

10.12.070 Lights required.

It is unlawful to operate a snowmobile on the streets of Montpelier, regardless of the time of day or night or prevailing weather conditions, unless the rear illuminary or tail-light and the headlight or lamp are lit. (Ord. 442 § 6, 1971)

10.12.080 No operation between ten p.m. and six a.m.

It is unlawful to operate a snowmobile within the city limits of Montpelier between ten p.m. and six a.m. on the public streets, and the use of a snowmobile shall further

be prohibited during any of these hours when the operation of said snowmobile would cause a public nuisance. (Ord. 442 § 7, 1971)

10.12.090 No operation on private property without permission.

It is unlawful to operate any snowmobile upon any privately owned real estate in the city limits without the express and specific consent of the legal occupant of said property. (Ord. 442 § 8, 1971)

10.12.100 No operation on pedestrian walkways.

It is unlawful for any person to operate a snowmobile on any public sidewalk or walkway maintained for winter use for pedestrian traffic. (Ord. 442 § 9, 1971)

10.12.110 Crossing street—Most direct route required.

It is unlawful for the operator of any snowmobile to cross any public street except when in the most direct route across the street, this being direct and straight across the street. (Ord. 442 § 10, 1971)

10.12.120 Compliance with state laws required.

In addition to the regulations contained herein, the operators of all snowmobiles will be required to obey all laws of the Idaho motor vehicle statute. (Ord. 442 § 11, 1971)

10.12.130 No more than one passenger allowed.

Operators of any snowmobile shall not carry or otherwise transport more than one person on said machine while said vehicle

is being operated on the public street of Montpelier irrespective of the size or age of the passengers. (Ord. 442 § 12, 1971)

10.12.140 No pulling, towing or pushing.

Operators of snowmobiles shall not pull, tow or push any other type of conveyance or item or equipment such as sleds, sleighs, toboggans, trailers, skids, or skis while operating snowmobiles on public streets in Montpelier. (Ord. 442 § 13, 1971)

10.12.150 No racing mufflers.

All snowmobiles and snow machines operated on the streets of the city of Montpelier shall at all times be equipped with a factory stock muffler. This prohibits the use of a racing muffler on a snowmobile on the public streets of Montpelier. (Ord. 442 § 14, 1971)

10.12.160 Operation unlawful where.

It is unlawful for the operator of any snowmobile or snow machine to operate said machine or vehicle for any purpose on any of the following:

A. On Fourth Street in its entirety and length, except when crossing said street in accordance with the Idaho state statute as defined intersections; and

B. The city municipal golf course; and

C. The city cemetery. (Amended Ord. 442, 1977; Ord. 442 § 15, 1971)

10.12.170 Violation—Penalty.

All violators of this chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to a fine not to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300.00) and/or imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed thirty (30) days. (Ord. 442 § 16, 1971)

Chapter 10.16

DYNAMIC BRAKING DEVICES

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10.16.010 “Dynamic braking device” defined.

10.16.020 Operation unlawful—Exception.

10.16.030 Violation—Penalty.

10.16.010 “Dynamic braking device” defined.

“Dynamic braking device” means a device used primarily on trucks for the conversion of the engine from an internal combustion engine to air compressor for the purpose of braking without the use of wheel brakes, commonly referred to as jacob’s brake, engine brake or compression brake. (Ord. 537 § 1, 1994)

10.16.020 Operation unlawful—Exception.

It is unlawful for any person to operate any motor vehicle with a dynamic braking device engaged within the city of Montpelier, Idaho, except for the aversion of imminent danger. (Ord. 537 § 2, 1994)

10.16.030 Violation—Penalty.

Violations of this chapter shall be a misdemeanor and shall be punishable by a fine of not more than three hundred dollars (\$300.00). (Ord. 537 § 3, 1994)