



# Snowmobile Safety

Ride responsibly.  
Gear up for a safe and enjoyable  
winter season.



## Safe Riding Practices

- Ensure your snowmobile is in good working condition.
- Slow down when on unfamiliar terrain.
- Always check trail availability before accessing any trail.
- Obey all signals and posted signs.
- Respect property owners by staying on the designated trails.
- Ride on the right-hand side of the trail.
- Come to a complete stop before entering any roadway and crossing roads and railway tracks.
- Adjust your speed to the weather and trail conditions.
- Always ride sober. Impaired driving laws apply to snowmobiles.
- Tell someone when you are leaving, your route and your planned time of arrival.
- Wear an approved motorcycle helmet with chin strap securely fastened.

## Ice Safety

- Avoid riding on unfamiliar frozen lakes and rivers as open water or pressure ridges might not be visible.
- If you must go over ice, wear a buoyant snowmobile suit and keep icepicks within easy reach for quick access.

## Rider Requirements

- Carry a valid driver's licence or motorized snow vehicle operator's license (MSVOL).
- Carry proof of snowmobile ownership and insurance.
- Have a valid Snowmobile Trail Permit affixed to your sled when on Ontario Federation of Snowmobile trails.

## Safety Kit Items

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| • First Aid Kit   | • Waterproof Matches |
| • GPS Tracker     | • Identification     |
| • Food and Water  | • Power Bank         |
| • Essential Tools | • Blanket            |
| • Fuel            | • Small Shelter      |
| • Tow Rope        |                      |

## More Information

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