

ORDINANCE #131

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE #47.

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE USE OF SNOWMOBILES OR ATV (ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES)  
WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF GLYNDON, MINNESOTA.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Glyndon that the following regulations are to be used and adopted by operators of snowmobiles or ATV within the City limits of Glyndon:

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

Subd. 2. "Person" includes an individual, partnership, corporation, the state and its agencies and subdivisions, and any body of person, whether incorporated or not.

Subd. 3. "Snowmobile or ATV" means a self-propelled vehicle designed for travel on snow or ice or natural terrain steered by wheels, skis or runners.

Subd. 4. "Owner" means a person, other than a lien holder having the property in or title to snowmobile or ATV entitled to the use or possession thereof.

Subd. 5. "Operate" means to ride in or on and control the operation of the snowmobile or ATV.

Subd. 6. "Operator" means every person who operates or is in actual physical control of a snowmobile or ATV.

Section 2 - Except as herein specifically permitted and authorized, it is unlawful for any person to operate a snowmobile or ATV within the limits of the City of Glyndon:

1. On the portion of any right of way of any public highway, streets, road, trail or alley used for motor vehicle travel, except the most right hand lane (except in passing) which is used for vehicle traffic in the same direction, other than on freeways, interstate, trunk, county state-aid, or county highways. Such use of the city streets, roads and alleys is permissible only:

- A. When leaving or entering the City, the following routes must be taken: The east and west routes shall be east on 2nd Street to Andrews Avenue, then north to US #10 and east out of City. When going west, take 2nd Street to Pleasant View Avenue then north to Service Road and west out of City. Those going north out of the City shall follow Parke Avenue North to US #10 and then out of the City. Those going south take Parke Avenue to County Road 117 and go out of the City.
- B. When traveling to and from operational areas outside the City limits;
- C. When traveling to and from a job or job site;
- D. When traveling to and from permitted operational areas within the City limits;
- E. When an emergency necessitates the use of a snowmobile or ATV;
- F. When otherwise specifically authorized by the City council. Snowmobiles or ATV's may also be operated upon the ditch bottom where lawfully so posted or the outside bank of trunk, county state-aid and county highways where such highways are so configured within the corporate limits.

2. On a public sidewalk provided for pedestrian travel.
3. On boulevards within any public right of way.
4. On private property of another without specific permission of the owner or person in control of said property.
5. On any other public place except as may be specifically permitted by other provisions of the City ordinances.

Section 3 - A snowmobile may make a direct crossing of a street or highway, except an interstate highway or freeway, provided:

1. The crossing is made at an angle of approximately 90 degrees to the direction of the street or highway and at a place where no obstruction prevents a quick and safe crossing.
2. The snowmobile or ATV is brought to a complete stop before crossing the shoulder or main traveled way.
3. The driver yields the right of way to all oncoming traffic which constitutes an immediate hazard.
4. In crossing a divided street or highway, the crossing is made only at an intersection of such street or highway with another public street or highway.
5. If the crossing is made before sunrise or after sunset or in conditions of reduced visibility, only if both front and rear lights are on.

Section 4 - City traffic ordinances shall apply to the operation of snowmobiles or ATV's upon streets and highways, except for those relating to required equipment, and except those which by their nature have no application.

Section 5 - No snowmobile or ATV shall enter any intersection without yielding the right of way to any vehicle or pedestrians at the intersection, or so close to the intersection as to constitute an immediate hazard.

Section 6 - Persons under 18. Subdivision 1. No person under 14 years of age shall operate on streets or the roadway surface of highways or make a direct crossing of a trunk, county state-aid, county highway, or city street as the operator of a snowmobile or ATV. A person 14 years of age or older, but less than 18 years of age, may operate a snowmobile or ATV on streets and highways as permitted under this ordinance and make a direct crossing of such streets and highways only if he has in his immediate possession a valid snowmobile safety certificate issued by the commissioner, as provided by M.S.A. Section 84.872/Section 84.92.

Subd. 2. It is unlawful for the owner of a snowmobile or ATV to permit the snowmobile or ATV to be operated contrary to the provisions of this section.

6. Reflective material at least 16 square inches on each side, forward of the handlebars, so as to reflect light at a ninety degree angle.

Section 9 - Every person leaving a snowmobile or ATV on a public place shall lock the ignition, remove the key and take the same with him.

Section 10 - Notwithstanding any prohibitions in this ordinance, a snowmobile or ATV may be operated on a public thoroughfare in an emergency during the period of time when, and at locations where, snow upon the roadway renders travel by automobile impractical.

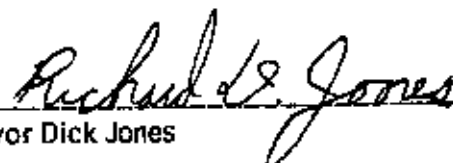
Section 11 - It is unlawful to intentionally drive, chase, run over or kill any animal with a snowmobile or ATV.

Section 12 - Every person convicted of a violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be punished by a fine of not more than seven hundred dollars (\$700) or by imprisonment for a period of not more than ninety (90) days, or both, but in either case the costs of prosecution may be added.

Section 13 - Effect. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after January 24, 1996.

Passed by the council this 24 day of January 1996, its adoption and publication.

Approved:

  
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Mayor Dick Jones

Seal attest:

  
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Dennis Johnson, Clerk/Treasurer