

**AMENDMENT TO SNOWMOBILES ORDINANCE,  
BEING CODE SECTION 66-121 ET SEQ  
CITY OF MACKINAC ISLAND CODE OF ORDINANCES**

Ord. No. 518, Eff. October 28, 2015

An ordinance to amend provisions relating to the use and operation of snowmobiles with the City of Mackinac Island, amending Code Section 66-121 et seq of the City of Mackinac Code of Ordinance, being the City of Mackinac Island Snowmobiles Ordinance.

**THE CITY OF MACKINAC ISLAND ORDAINS:**

**Section 1. Purpose.** The purpose of this ordinance is to amend certain standards for the use of snowmobiles on Mackinac Island and to require permits for temporary use of snowmobiles as motor vehicles as set forth herein. The permits shall be issued in cooperation with the Mackinac Island State Park Commission and shall authorize the use of snowmobiles in both the City of Mackinac Island and the Mackinac Island State Park property, subject to each governmental entity's respective regulations.

**Section 2. Repeal.** Ordinance No. 517 which amended the Snowmobile Ordinance is hereby repealed in its entirety and replaced with the following.

**Section 3. Definition of Snowmobile.** The definition of snowmobile in Section 66-121 is repealed and replaced with the following:

*Snowmobile* means any motor-driven vehicles designed to travel primarily on snow or ice which is driven by a single endless belt tread in contact with the surface upon which it is operated and steered by two sled type runners or skis.

**Section 4. Permit.** Code Section 66-124(2) is repealed and replaced with the following:

A. No snowmobile shall be operated within the City of Mackinac Island unless the owner first obtains the necessary permit from the City of Mackinac Island or the Mackinac Island State Historic Park (there being one permit that may be issued by either governmental entity). Said permits shall require payment of the appropriate fee as determined and established by the city council. Said permits are valid only between November 15<sup>th</sup> to April 15<sup>th</sup> annually. The annual permits referenced in the subsequent paragraph shall be affixed and prominently displayed on the snowmobile. The daily permits shall be retained by the driver of the snowmobile.

B. There shall be two types of permits allowing controlled and restricted use of snowmobiles on specified roads as follows:

(1) **Annual Permits.** Annual permits can be obtained by residents of Mackinac Island and nonresidents who commute to Mackinac Island via the ice bridge on snowmobiles, for safe and convenient access to and from the shore of Mackinac Island for purposes of health, safety, education and employment purposes. Said annual permits will be valid for the entire snowmobile season referenced in Section 4(A) above.

(2) **Daily Permits.** Daily permits can be obtained by any person for the purpose of traveling on Mackinac Island in limited locations designated in Section 5. Said daily permits shall be valid for the day of issuance and the following day until 12:00 PM.

**Section 5. Roads Open for Snowmobile Use.** All city of Mackinac Island roads are open to use by snowmobiles with annual permits. Daily permittees are prohibited from using city roads except for the following:

Main Street – M-185  
Truscott Street  
Astor Street  
Hoban Street  
French Lane  
Mahoney Avenue  
Cadotte Avenue  
Huron Road – between Turkey Hill and Annex Road  
Annex Road  
Market Street

**Section 6.** Code Section 66-125 is repealed and replaced by the following:

In the operation of a snowmobile, the following rules must be complied with:

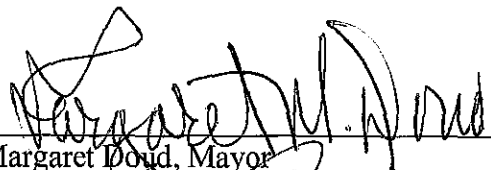

(1) Snowmobiles shall be operated at a safe speed for the conditions existing at the time of the operation; provided however, in no case shall the speed exceed 20 miles per hour within the territorial limits of the city of Mackinac Island.

**Section 7.** Code Section 66-127 is repealed and replaced by the following:

No snowmobile shall be used or operated for the following commercial purposes:

- (1) Transporting freight or passengers for hire, or as a service for customers of a business.
- (2) As a rental by a snowmobile rental livery located within the city of Mackinac Island.

**Section 8.** All other provisions of Code Section 66-121 not inconsistent with these amendments shall remain in full force and effect.

  
Margaret Doud, Mayor  
  
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