

BY-LAWS OF THE SNOBLAZERS SNOWMOBILE CLUB, INC.

ARTICLE I

The name of this organization shall be the SnoBlazers, Inc.
P.O. Box 235
Greenwich, New York 12834

ARTICLE II

Purpose

The Purpose of this organization shall be:

1. To promote safe, courteous, wise and lawful use of the snowmobile as a means of individual and family recreation.
2. To set an example to the public in the proper, useful and sportsman-like use of snowmobiles.
3. To establish a liaison with State, County and Local agencies and snowmobile organizations for the use of snowmobiling as a form of winter recreation on public and private lands.
4. To purchase or lease and to maintain and operate buildings.
5. To assist local agencies in time of need and to buy, own or lease the necessary equipment for same.
6. To develop and maintain trails, after receiving landowner permission, and to own the necessary equipment to maintain same.
7. To authorize the club to purchase equipment and/or buildings by securing financing with the signature of at least two (2) officers of the club after securing approval by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of members present at a regular or special meeting of the club. Minimum of 10 members present, with at least 4 board of directors, any purchase over \$500.00 to be tabled for 1 month, unless emergency for trail maintenance.
8. Any special purchase requiring immediate attention would need majority vote by Board of Directors in order to start a phone poll.

ARTICLE III

1. All members shall be considered in good standing as stated in Article VIII.
2. On all matters requiring a vote, each individual member shall be entitled to one vote Children living at home, under the age of 18, are part of the club, but shall not have the right to vote as full members. Individuals living at home may become voting members at the age of 18 by paying dues as specified in Article VI.
3. In order for a landowner to have voting rights they must help at least 2 hours on the trails.

ARTICLE IV

1. The elected officers of this club shall be:
 - a. President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer and five (5) Directors.
2. There shall be a Board of Directors consisting of ten (10) members who shall be elected officers as stated above plus five (5) members in good standing. Five of the above eight (8) directors shall reside in the area for which the club is responsible for trail maintenance, and at least one of the eight (8) directors shall be a woman. The five (5) members who will serve on

the Board of Directors shall be elected for a term of five (5) years with alternate expiration dates.

- a. At the end of a Board Members 5 year Full term he/she has to step down; if no one steps up to run in his/her position he/she has the opportunity to step back in for another full term.
 - b. Board member has to make 3 Board meetings each year in order to stay on as a board member.
3. The Audit Committee shall consist of the Board of Directors who shall prepare and present the Annual Budget, and audit the Treasurer's books semi-annually, with on time being prior to the Annual Meeting.
 4. The President shall appoint all other committees as deemed necessary to carry out the activities and functions of the club.
 5. In the event the club dissolves all physical assets will be liquidated. The existing funds and funds from the sale of all assets will be held in a bank account until the club is reinstated. At any time NO club member or officer will profit from the club dissolving. The trail system and equipment can be offered to existing clubs within the county at the discretion of the remaining officers.

ARTICLE V

Duties

1. The President shall be the pressing officer of all regular and special meetings of the club. He/She shall be the ex officio member, with the right to vote, on all committees except the nominating committee. He/She shall have such power and perform such duties as may be normally incident to the office of President of any organization. He/She or the Vice-President shall co-sign all checks.
2. The Vice-President shall assist the President in the discharge of his/her duties in the absence of the President shall act in his/her stead.
3. The Recording Secretary shall keep all minutes and records of the club. He/She shall file and keep all documents; records and reports connected with the club, and to carry in execution all orders, votes and resolutions not otherwise committed.
4. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct all correspondence and communications connected with the club. He/She shall make or cause to be made all required notices of the club.
5. The Treasurer shall collect and hold in the name of the club, all monies belonging to the club. He/She shall deposit all sums received in any bank designated by the club. He/She shall sign all checks and pay all bills having been approved by the club. He/She shall make a report at the Annual Meeting or when called upon by the President. The Treasurer shall, if required, give the club such security for faithful discharge of his/her duties as the club may direct. All records of the Treasurer shall be available for audit as stated in Article IV, paragraph 3.
6. The Board of Directors shall:
 - a. Oversee the general functions of the club.
 - b. Prepare and present the annual budget.
 - c. Audit all finances.
 - d. Promote policies and guidelines for the club.
 - e. Elect a Chairman for the Board of Directors from the member directors to lead the meetings and to report back to the club. Chairman of the Board will be elected on a year to year basis. At the first board meeting after the April elections.

ARTICLE VI

Dues

1. Dues will be \$25.00 family. The dues of this club shall be designated in an amount by the club members and payable by the meeting in April, if dues are not paid by August 1st, the club will send a letter of termination and/or will not receive their voucher for sled registration.

ARTICLE VII

Meeting Notices and Quorum

1. The Annual Meeting of this club shall be held at the first meeting in March of each year. Regular meetings shall be held the fourth Wednesday of each month with the term of officers to begin at the March meeting.
2. Special meetings may be called at any time by the President or the Board of Directors or upon the written request of five (5) members in good standing. Notices shall be sent in accordance with these by-laws according to Article V, Paragraph 4.
3. At any regular meeting or special meeting of the club, a quorum of a total of 6 members, which would include a minimum of four (2) Board Members, shall be present.
4. The order of business at the Annual Meeting or other meetings shall be:
 - a. Roll Call.
 - b. Reading of minutes.
 - c. Report of the Treasurer and presentation of bills.
 - d. Report of Correspondence received.
 - e. Trail and Equipment Reports.
 - f. Reports of Standing Committees.
 - g. Reports of the Special Committees.
 - h. Unfinished or Old business.
 - i. New business.
 - j. Election of Officers (if required).
 - k. Open Discussions.
 - l. Adjournment.
5. Election of officers shall be ballot with other voting by voice unless ordered by a majority vote. These Elections shall occur no later than March 31st to ensure proper transfer of leadership starting the next season as of April 1st,
6. All questions of procedures not covered by these by-laws shall be determined in accordance with Robert's Rules of Orders.

ARTICLE VIII

Discipline

All members of this club shall abide by these by-laws and with the purposes of the club. Violations of this or conduct prejudicial of the best interests of the club shall constitute just reason for suspension or expulsion. Such action requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the elected officers. Notices of charges must be sent in writing to the person in question at least ten (10) days prior to the date for action by the offices, and such member will have the right to present defense at that time.

ARTICLE IX

Trails and Activities

1. Have one leader and follow-up person as appointed by the President.
2. No excessive drinking or drug use.
3. The leader shall indicate designations and approximate departure and arrival times.
4. Non-scheduled rides should adhere to all the above.
5. Club equipment may only be operated by trained members in good standing when authorized by the Officers. Members must be given the authorization by a Certified Grooming Instructor with no less than 20 training hours logged with that instructor before using the equipment on your own.
Club equipment may be borrowed by members in good standing and **MUST** be signed out and returned within a reasonable amount of time when utilized for personal use **ONLY**. A member may **NOT** use club equipment for a business or for personal profit. Upon return a rental fee/donation based on time used should be paid immediately at the next meeting to the club treasurer.

Trails

The Trails should be considered open when:

1. There is sufficient snow as deemed by the Officers. Using the NYS Guidelines of 3" of **PACKED** snow before opening the trails so depending on the snow consistency that is generally 6" of snowfall. **HOWEVER**: the opening of trails and conditions are made by the officers of the club and at the wishes of the landowners and trails will not be deemed open until sufficient snowfall and safe conditions are verified. The opening of the trails **DOES NOT** require a unanimous approval by all the officers.
2. Gates are opened by Trails Committee by direction of the Trails Chairperson by guidelines set by the Board of Directors stated in number 1 above.
3. Trail conditions and hazards shall be reported by any club member to the President, Trails Chairperson or Trails Committee member.

ARTICLE X

Amendments

These by-laws may be amended, repealed or altered in whole or in part by presenting the change(s) at a regular meeting of this club, and at least 21 days shall lapse before the proposed changes can be voted on, with a two-thirds (2/3) majority of members present in order to vote, at a duly organized meeting of this club.

**THESE BY-LAWS WERE VOTED ON AND APPROVED BY TWO-THIRDS (2/3) MAJORITY VOTE
ON:**

APRIL 1, 2013