

THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF BLANDFORD-BLENHEIM

BY-LAW NUMBER 1299-2000

Being a By-law to regulate the operation of motorized snow vehicles within the Township of Blandford-Blenheim.

WHEREAS the Motorized Snow Vehicles Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter M.44, and amendments thereto, provides the authority for a Council of a local municipality to pass by-laws to regulate, govern or prohibit the operation of motorized snow vehicles within the municipality;

AND WHEREAS Council deems it desirable to regulate motorized snow vehicles in built up areas, municipal parks and highways under local jurisdiction.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim enacts as follows:

1. Definitions

(1) In this By-law;

- (a) **Highway** - includes a common and public highway, street, avenue, parkway, driveway, square, place, bridge, viaduct or trestle designed and intended for, or used by, the general public for passage of vehicles.
- (b) **Motorized Snow Vehicle** - means a self propelled vehicle designed to be driven primarily on snow.
- (c) **Built up Area** - means any territory in a rural area contiguous to a highway having a residential density as calculated in The Highway Traffic Act and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing includes any town, village or hamlet so designated in Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming part of this by-law.
- (d) **Trail** means the whole of any trail established and maintained by a recreational organization for the use of motorized snow vehicles.

- 2. No person shall operate a motorized snow vehicle within a built up area in the Township of Blandford-Blenheim, including any highways therein or any part or parts thereof from Sunday through Saturday between the hours of 11:00 o'clock p.m. and 7:00 o'clock a.m. of the following day unless the operator is proceeding to and from their residence, a trail system, service station or an emergency during inclement weather.
- 3. No person shall operate a motorized snow vehicle on any sidewalk, walkway, bicycle path or boulevard in the built up areas of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim as detailed in Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming part of this by-law.
- 4. No person shall operate a motorized snow vehicle on any recreational or park land within the Township of Blandford-Blenheim without the written permission of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim.

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5. The maximum speed limit at which a motorized snow vehicle may be operated on any part of a road in any settlement area shall be in accordance with Section 14(1) of the Motorized Snow Vehicles Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter M.44.

6. Enforcement of By-law

Provisions of this by-law shall be enforced by the By-law Enforcement officer(s) duly appointed by the Council of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim and/or a police officer(s).

7. Notwithstanding anything contained in this By-law, this By-law does not apply to prohibit the operation of a motorized snow vehicle.

- (1) by a member of the Oxford Community Police Service, the Ontario Provincial Police or any other police force while engaged in the performance of a police officer's duty;
- (2) by an employee of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim or the County of Oxford while engaged in authorized duties;
- (3) by any persons engaged in a bona fide rescue or emergency operation under the direction of or with the authority of the Oxford Community Police Service or the Ontario Provincial Police or the Township of Blandford-Blenheim.
- (4) by any person involved in a special event duly authorized and sanctioned by the Township of Blandford-Blenheim.

8. Penalties


- (1) Any person who is found in violation of Section 2 to 4 of this by-law is guilty of an offense and the procedures outlined herein shall apply;
 - (a) That all penalties imposed by a judicial official are recoverable under the Provincial Offenses Act and together with such costs and expenses as are imposed thereunder.
 - (b) The persons charged may make payment as shown on the Parking Infraction Notice. Payment may be made at the clerk's office within the days noted on the ticket of offense and payment shall be accepted in full satisfaction of the charge and no further proceedings will be taken.

By-law **READ** a **FIRST** and **SECOND** time this 1st day of March, 2000.

By-law **READ** a **THIRD** time and **ENACTED** in Open Council this 1st day of March, 2000.

(SEAL)


Donald S. Woolcott, Mayor


Keith Reibling, Clerk-Administrator

TOWNSHIP OF BLANDFORD-BLENHEIM

SCHEDULE "A"

TO BY-LAW NUMBER 1299-2000

**"BUILT UP AREAS" WITHIN THE
TOWNSHIP OF BLANDFORD-BLENHEIM**

1. Bright Settlement Limits
2. Drumbo Settlement Limits
3. Plattsville Settlement Limits
4. Princeton Settlement Limits
5. Wolverton Settlement Limits