



New York State  
Parks, Recreation and  
Historic Preservation

Snowmobile Unit  
Albany, NY 12238-0001

## 2025 TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT

### NYS SNOWMOBILE LAW ENFORCEMENT DEVELOPMENT SCHOOL (NYS SLEDS)

#### BASIC SNOWMOBILE LAW ENFORCEMENT INSTRUCTION

**Training Program:**

The Basic Snowmobile Law Enforcement Training Program is designed to present officers with the fundamentals of snowmobile operation and law enforcement, as well as provide an understanding of the knowledge and skills needed by the snowmobile law enforcement officer in order to function in an effective and professional manner.

**When: February 9, 2025 – February 14, 2025**

Registration and accommodations will be available on Sunday, February 9 after 3:00pm.

Classes run from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM each day beginning on Monday, February 10 with a one-hour break for lunch. On Friday, February 14, classes will end around noon. Enrollees must attend all classes and pass all required exams in order to obtain a certification of completion.

**Cost:**

There is no fee to attend the training. The Snowmobile Unit covers all meals and lodging (see below). Travel and wages of attendees can be submitted for up to 75% reimbursement, if the department is eligible to participate in the Snowmobile Law Enforcement State-In-Aid grant. Confirmation of acceptance will come from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation, Snowmobile Unit.

**Accommodations (meals and lodging):**

The program will cover all meals and lodging costs. These are based on single occupancy, 5 nights lodging and meals; breakfast, lunch and dinner each day, with the exception of Sunday (dinner only) and Friday (breakfast only).

Unless otherwise specified, attendees should arrive at the Water's Edge Inn (3188 State Route 28, Old Forge, NY 13420) between 3:00 & 5:00 pm on February 9 to register. Class will begin promptly at 8:00 AM Monday morning.

**What to Bring:**

All officers should bring appropriate cold weather clothing and required safety equipment. Each agency should provide fully fueled and operational snowmobile(s) with their attending officers. **In lieu of printed workbooks, we will be handing out flash drives. Please bring an electronic device that will allow you to view the materials.**

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION IS January 6, 2025.**

We look forward to meeting you and thank you for interest in the program. Should you have any questions or concerns please contact the Snowmobile Unit via phone 518-474-0446 or email [snowmobile.unit@parks.ny.gov](mailto:snowmobile.unit@parks.ny.gov).

# SNOWMOBILE LAW ENFORCEMENT DEVELOPMENT SCHOOL 2025

## Program Overview – Course Content

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It is the intent of this program to continue building upon the basic law enforcement and investigative skills of police agency personnel involved in snowmobile-related laws, rules and regulations, as well as accident investigation techniques. This will be accomplished through a combination of classroom lectures and outdoor field exercises.

This hands-on course requires student participation. A certificate of completion will be issued to those students who successfully complete the field exercises and pass the written exam.

### Basic Snowmobile Law Enforcement Training Overview\*

\*subject to change after collaboration with instructors on LE needs

- **Nomenclature:** Brief lecture intended to bring class participants up to a common knowledge level with respect to the names and functions of the parts of the snowmobile.
- **Snowmobile Maintenance and Operation:** Hands on fundamentals of snowmobile maintenance and operation, including field exercises and trail ride(s).
- **Registration / Insurance:** Provide working knowledge of the laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to snowmobile registration and insurance coverage requirements.
- **Laws Regulating Basic Operation:** Explain the sections of the Parks and Recreation Law, Vehicle and Traffic Law, and the Parks Rules and Regulations in regard to the operation of a snowmobile.
- **Operation While Intoxicated:** Convey a general understanding of the effects of alcohol on a snowmobile operator, environmental stressors, and the procedures for building a solid case for prosecuting an operating while intoxicated charge.
- **Snowmobile Theft Reporting, Prevention and Detection:** Establish an understanding of the legal obligations for the reporting of stolen snowmobiles. Participants will receive a basic understanding of the methods available to them in the identification of stolen snowmobiles, location of VIN numbers, and ways to prevent snowmobile theft.
- **Snowmobile Accident Reporting:** Lecture and report presentation to give officers a working knowledge of the Police Snowmobile Accident Report and the legal requirements for snowmobile accident reporting.
- **Penal / Parks & Recreation Laws:** The class will be presented with information on applicable sections of the Penal Laws and the Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Law of the State of New York.
- **Special Event Permits:** Provide a general knowledge of the form and content of a special event permit, when and where one is required, and how permits are obtained.
- **GPS Orientation:** There will be an introductory course of instruction on the use and application of a handheld GPS unit.

## NYS SLEDS APPLICATION Instructions

We thank you for your interest in our program. Please fill out the form as accurately and legibly as possible and return to the Snowmobile Unit prior to January 6, 2025.

Due to the high demand for this training, if we cannot accommodate your request, you will be put on the waitlist for the 2026 Snowmobile Law Enforcement Development School.

- **Name:** First and Last name
- **Title/Rank:** Agency title/rank
- **Email address:** Agency email address for updates/correspondence
- **Skill level:** **(B)** Beginner, **(I)** Intermediate, **(E)** Experienced
- **Standardized Field Sobriety Testing:** Please indicate if participant is SFST certified (Y/N)
- **Agency Snowmobile(s) Available?** Please indicate Yes or No (Y/N); If yes, please provide quantity to be brought with participant(s)
- **Department/Agency:** Please provide contact information, as requested.

Please return application by: Email [snowmobile.unit@parks.ny.gov](mailto:snowmobile.unit@parks.ny.gov)

OR

Mail: NYS OPRHP, Snowmobile Unit, Albany, NY 12238



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# NYS SLEDS APPLICATION

February 9 – February 14, 2025



This department is requesting attendance to the **SNOWMOBILE LAW ENFORCEMENT DEVELOPMENT SCHOOL** for the officer(s) listed below:

| Name | Title/Rank | Lodging<br>Y/N | Shirt<br>Size | Email address: | Skill<br>Level | SFST<br>certified?<br>Y/N |
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Agency Snowmobile(s) Available for use? Y/N      If Yes, quantity?

Department / Agency:

Department Address:

Commanding Officer Name:

Commanding Officer Title:

Commanding Officer Signature:

E-Mail Address:

Contact Phone:

Fax:

Special Needs/Requirements/Dietary/Other:

Please submit application by email ([Snowmobile.Unit@parks.ny.gov](mailto:Snowmobile.Unit@parks.ny.gov))  
or mail to:

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