

Snowmobile Safety & Responsible Recreating

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Maine has more than 14,000 miles of snowmobile trails making it a great place to get outdoors and enjoy fresh air and wide-open spaces. However, there are some things to keep in mind as you plan your next snowmobile outing.



- If you are planning to stay overnight in Maine, remember, anyone traveling from a state other than Vermont or New Hampshire must complete the compliance form stating they have had a negative COVID-19 test within 72 hours of arrival in Maine, or quarantine for the length of their stay, up to 10 days.
- Another option is to get a COVID-19 test in Maine and quarantine at the hotel/inn/cabin until you receive a negative test result. For a list of testing sites go to: <https://www.maine.gov/covid19/restartingmaine/keepmainehealthy/testing>. Please remember to call ahead. Most sites are by appointment only.
- Maine offers many motels with private entrances, so you can pull your vehicle and trailer up to the front door and not worry about passing someone in the hallway on the way to your room.
- Maine's hospitality industry has done an excellent job in ensuring safety guidelines are met at lodging and dining facilities statewide.
- Please be prepared to comply with health and safety guidelines by wearing a mask at all times when in public and maintain a safe distance of at least six feet apart from those not in your travel party.
- Operating a snowmobile under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol is illegal and one of the leading causes of fatal crashes. Ride safely and within your abilities and never ride under the influence!
- One of the joys of snowmobiling in Maine is that you can take long trips to remote outposts - but be sure to plan ahead:
 - Due to COVID-19, there are indoor gathering limits of no more than 50 people, so places can fill up fast. Even then, some of these outposts are small and cannot even accommodate 50 people. Therefore, you may have to wait outside for someone to leave before you can go into the building.
 - Be sure to dress in warm clothes and be prepared to turn around or move on to the next place if you can't get in for lunch or the restroom.
 - If possible, call ahead to inquire about capacity and wait times.
 - To be safe, pack snacks and water.
- Consider taking several shorter trips that can be completed in a few hours.
- Remember, Maine proudly offers over 14,000 miles of groomed trails to explore thanks to the generosity of private landowners and the efforts of volunteers from snowmobile clubs across the state. Be courteous to others and respect Maine's private landowners by always staying on marked trails.

Did you know about 94% of Maine's forest land is privately owned?

But more than half of it is open to public recreation. To keep this good thing going, be sure to venture out responsibly by always checking postings first and treating the land with respect.

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