

# Association of Wisconsin Snowmobile Clubs - AWSC

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## Act 142- WI Trail Pass Law

## What You Need to Know About the New WI Trail Pass under WI Act 142

(CAP/STEP - Club Assistance Program / Snowmobile Trail Enhancement Program)

### 1. When does this new law go into effect?

<u>July 1, 2015</u>. Act 142 requires each sled operating in WI to display a WI Trail Pass to be purchased annually. <u>This is separate from the WI snowmobile registration</u>.

#### 2. What is the cost of the WI Trail Pass?

Once Act 142 is implemented, if your membership dues with one of the nearly 600 AWSC snowmobile clubs statewide are up to date and the club has paid your AWSC dues, the cost of the WI Trail Pass will be \$10. If you are purchasing the new WI Trail Pass and are NOT an AWSC and snowmobile club member the cost will be \$30 per snowmobile.

#### 3. Do I have to join a club?

No – It will be your choice to join one of the nearly 600 AWSC snowmobile clubs statewide. Please remember that without the clubs and volunteers there would be **NO TRAILS!** It is the club volunteers that provide and maintain the WI Snowmobile Trail System.

## 4. Where do the funds from the WI Trail Pass go?

The revenue generated from the sale of snowmobile registrations and WI Trail Passes will go into the state snowmobile program's segregated fund.

#### 5. Where can I purchase the WI Trail Pass?

The discounted (\$10) resident WI Trail Pass for members will be available after (July 2015) to purchase through the AWSC office in DeForest, WI. The AWSC and the WI DNR are currently in the development stages of this procedure. Please remember that the snowmobile clubs will be responsible for your AWSC membership if you want the discounted WI Trail Pass. Members will all be responsible for purchasing their own WI Trail Pass. If you are NOT an AWSC member, then you are responsible for purchasing your WI Trail Pass through the WI DNR. Snowmobile dealers will not be involved in the WI Trail Pass process.

#### 6. Do I still have to register my snowmobile with the State of WI?

**Yes** - However the registration fee structure will change to a \$30/3 year registration. Currently it is \$30/2 years. The registration process will not change.

- 7. Is the Out of State (Non-Resident) Trail Pass going to increase in cost?

  Yes It will increase to \$50 from \$35 (current). Club membership will not result in a discount for the Non-resident trail pass.
- 8. My snowmobile is 30 years (or older.) Do I still need a Trail Pass?

  The new law provides a <u>free</u> annual (yearly) WI Trail Pass for snowmobiles 30 years and older. However, snowmobiles still need to be registered.

  Note: Change in registration fee <u>\$30/3 year</u> registration.
- 9. If I don't live in WI can I still register my snowmobile(s) in WI?

Yes – If you reside in another State you can still register your snowmobiles in WI. provided your state allows it. If <u>you chose to belong</u> to one of the nearly 600 AWSC snowmobile clubs statewide and are up to date with membership dues and the club has paid your AWSC dues, the cost of the WI Trail Pass will be <u>\$10</u>. If <u>you do not belong</u> to an AWSC club in WI your Trail Pass will cost <u>\$30</u>. Otherwise you will have to purchase the *Out of State Trail Pass* for <u>\$50</u> if your snowmobile is registered in another state.

10. What if I own more than one snowmobile, will I be able to purchase more than one WI Trail Pass?

**Yes** – If you own more than one snowmobile you will be able to purchase a WI Trail Pass for each one of your snowmobiles.

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