

Snowmobiles speed through Dundalk

Grey County OPP have received concerns from the public regarding snowmobiles speeding along Victoria Street and Main Street, in Dundalk, in the Township of Southgate. It was also noted that the sleds were failing to stop at stop signs and were travelling on sidewalks and across residential and commercial properties.

Grey County OPP wish to remind snowmobile operators that many of the rules governing motor vehicle drivers apply to snowmobile operators, such as speeding, failing to stop a, and driving with a Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) that exceeds the legal limit. Failure to comply with the law carries penalties including fines, loss of driver's licence, criminal charges and/or imprisonment.

Ride safe ? obey the speed limit and ride according to conditions. Remember, the legal provincial speed limits for snowmobiles are 20 km/h on highways with automobile speed limits of 50 km/h or less; 50 km/hr on highways with automobile speed limits of more than 50 km/h and 50 km/h on a trail.

Do not trespass ? refrain from riding on sidewalks and across private property. Not only is it illegal, it's unsafe!

Safety is a constant concern and the OPP is committed to public safety through the reduction of preventable injury and death by promoting safe, responsible riding.

Additional information on snowmobile safety and applicable legislation may be found on the following sites: www.ofsc.on.ca; www.mto.gov.on.ca; www.e-laws.gov.on.ca