

Snoman Inc. Environmental Policy

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Snoman Inc. member clubs and Board of Directors are committed to preserving the natural environment throughout Manitoba. We not only promote safety as one of our key initiatives but are also committed to developing and maintaining environmental responsibility throughout the trail system. We feel that this can be accomplished by embracing new technologies along with educating the public and leading by example. This commitment is reflected in the Snoman Inc. Mission Statement:

“Snoman (Snowmobilers of Manitoba) Incorporated is dedicated to providing strong leadership and support to its member clubs to develop safe and environmentally responsible snowmobile trails to further the enjoyment of organized snowmobiling throughout Manitoba”

Snoman is committed to accomplishing this by:

- 1 Encouraging clubs and their members to become active players in environmentally sustainable practises.
- 2 Reducing the ecological footprint through initiatives such as: recycling, new technologies and the reduction in paper usage.
- 3 Raising awareness with snowmobilers and encouraging them to adopt responsible and respectful environmental behaviour.

Ways to make Greener Choices:

Listed below are a number of initiatives that Snoman Inc. believes will support the continuing goal of environmental sustainability.

- New technologies have lead to the cleaner-burning, advanced 4-stroke and next generation 2-stroke engines. Snowmobile manufacturers continue to meet or exceed stringent Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) emission standards. These standards have lead to a 90% reduction in hydrocarbons and a 70% reduction in carbon monoxide.
- Maintain your snowmobile yearly to ensure its efficiency and reliability.

- Refrain from replacing your manufacturer's exhaust system with noise reduction technologies with aftermarket systems.
- Please respect wildlife and avoid ecologically sensitive areas.
- Most clubs promote "Pack out what you pack in." Clubs are encouraged to provide a separate garbage can at their cabins for recycling pop bottles or cans. Reduces the chance of litter and provides an alternate choice for snowmobilers (May also provide a little revenue too)!
- Store your gas cans and fill your sleds in sites that will not impact any water sources.
- Wipe up any spills you may have with a proper fuel soak pads (We recommend all snowmobilers pack at least one soak pad).
- Promote good stewardship practices, obey the signs and support your local snowmobile club, they work hard for your right to ride!
- When you hear someone talking about the Environment, remember to tell them what you and your club do, make sure you tell them "Snowmobilers Do Care About our Environment" and our Stewardship practices prove it.
- Non-snowmobilers have many misconceptions about snowmobiling and the environment. Often, these inaccurate impressions are fuelled by false or out of date information. To counteract these ideas, it is important for each snowmobiler to be armed with the facts and to spread the truth about snowmobiling at every opportunity.