

**TOWN OF GERRY LOCAL LAW NO. 1  
OF THE YEAR 2014**

**A LOCAL LAW TO REGULATE  
THE OPERATION OF SNOWMOBILES ON  
PUBLIC HIGHWAYS AND PLACES IN THE  
TOWN OF GERRY**

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE TOWN BOARD  
OF THE TOWN OF GERRY  
AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Legislative Intent-The purpose of this local law is to protect the public health, welfare and safety by regulating the operation of snowmobiles on public highways, sidewalks and places in the Town of Gerry in a manner which will be compatible with the use of such highways and places for vehicular and pedestrian travel and other uses, and which will promote the safe and proper use of snowmobiles for recreation and commerce and minimize detrimental effects of such use on the environment.

Section 2. Definitions.

1. The terms, words and phrases used in this local law shall have the meaning as such terms, words and phrases are defined in Section 21.05 of the Parks of the Parks and Recreation Law.

2. Whenever the word Town is used herein it shall mean the Town of Gerry.

Section 3. Operation on Town streets and highways-Operation of Snowmobiles on highways and public ways of the Town shall be subject to the applicable provisions of Section 21 through Section 27 of the Parks and Recreation Law, the rules and regulations of the Office of Parks and Recreation, and the rules, restrictions and conditions set forth in Section 6 of this local law.

Section 4. Limited operation on highway- Emergency. A snowmobile may be operated on a highway for the purpose of an emergency as authorized by Section 25.05 of the Parks and Recreation Law.

Section 5. Conditions and Restriction-Whenever the operations of a snowmobile is permitted on the shoulder, roadway or inside bank of any Town street or highway or portion thereof as provided in this local law or on parks or public lands of the Town, the following conditions and restricts are hereby imposed to all such snowmobile operations:

1. Prohibited Operating Hours. No person shall operate snowmobiles on any Town highway between the hours of 11:00 PM and 9:00 AM, except that on Friday and Saturday, the hours shall be extended from 11:00 PM to 1:00 AM on the following morning.
2. Unattended Snowmobiles. It shall be unlawful for any owner or operator to leave or allow a snowmobile to be left unattended on any Town highway or public place, while the motor is running, or with any key for starting the same left in the ignition or elsewhere in said snowmobile.
3. Obedience to Vehicular Traffic Controls. Each person operating a snowmobile on any Town highway shall observe strictly all vehicular traffic signs and signals and all other rules and regulations applicable to vehicular traffic, and shall obey the orders and directions of any state or local police or other law enforcement officer authorized to direct or regulate traffic.
4. Operation of snowmobiles on Town sidewalks is strictly prohibited at all times.

Section 6. Violations-A violation of any of the provisions of this local law shall be punishable as provided for in Section 27.11 of the Parks and Recreation Law.

Section 7. Separability. If any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision or Section of this local law shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such portion of this local law shall be deemed separate and distinct from the remainder of this local law and such judgment shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this local law.

Section 8. Effective Date. This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.