

**TOWNSHIP OF GREENFIELD**  
**ERIE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-3**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GREENFIELD , ERIE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, DESIGNATING THE PUBLIC ROADS AND STREETS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF GREENFIELD AS MIXED-USE RECREATIONAL AND REGISTERED MOTOR VEHICLE ROADS AND STREETS, AND REGULATING THE USE OF RECREATIONAL VEHICLES THEREON.**

**WHEREAS**, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has enacted legislation known as the “Snowmobile and All-Terrain Vehicle Law” (75 Pa. C.S.A. §7701 et seq.), which authorizes municipalities such as Greenfield Township to designate any Road or Street within its jurisdiction as a Snowmobile Road, an ATV Road or both;

**WHEREAS**, the Greenfield Township Supervisors have determined it is in the best interest of the Township and necessary and proper for the safety and welfare of the residents and property owners of Greenfield Township, along with all other users of the Roads and Streets within the Township, to designate all Roads and Streets within the Township as “Joint Use” Roads and Streets so as to permit Snowmobile and ATV use in conjunction with the use by other Motor Vehicles, and to establish regulations for the operation of Snowmobiles and ATVs on Roads and Streets within Greenfield Township.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Supervisors do hereby enact and ordain, and it is enacted and ordained for Greenfield Township, Erie County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

**SECTION I. Short Title.** This Ordinance shall hereafter be known and cited as the “GREENFIELD TOWNSHIP RECREATIONAL VEHICLE ORDINANCE”.

**SECTION II. Purpose.** The purpose of this Ordinance is to designate all Township Roads and Streets within the municipal boundaries of Greenfield Township as Snowmobile and ATV Roads and that use of these Roads will be shared with traffic of Registered Motor Vehicles and be considered Joint-Use Roads. It is also the purpose of this Ordinance to establish regulations for the operation of Snowmobiles and ATVs on Roads and Streets within Greenfield Township.

**SECTION III. Definitions.**

**3.01.** The following terms shall have the meanings provided at 75 Pa. C.S.A. §7702 as amended:

- (a) **All-Terrain Vehicle or “ATV”**
- (b) **Department**
- (c) **Head lamp**

- (d) **Highway**
- (e) **Snowmobile**
- (f) **Street**
- (g) **Tail lamp**

**3.02.** The following terms shall have the meanings provided at 75 Pa. C.S.A. §102 as amended:

- (a) **Motor Vehicle**
- (b) **Registration**
- (c) **Traffic**
- (d) **Trafficway**

**3.03.** Additionally, for purposes of this Ordinance, the following additional terms are defined as follows:

(a) **“Joint-Use”** means shared use of Roads or Streets within the Township by Recreational Vehicles and Motor Vehicles requiring Registration.

(b) **“Operator”** means any Person who Operates or is in actual physical control of a Recreational Vehicle.

(c) **“Owner”** means any of the following: (1) a Person who holds the legal title to a Recreational Vehicle; (2) a vendee or lessee of a Recreational Vehicle, which is the subject of an agreement for the conditional sale or lease thereof with the right of purchase upon performance of the conditions stated in the agreement and with an immediate right of possession vested in the conditional vendee or lessee; and/or (3) a Person renting a Recreational Vehicle or (4) a Person having the exclusive use of a Recreational Vehicle.

(d) **“Operate”** means to ride in or on and to be in actual physical control of the operation of a Recreational Vehicle.

(e) **“Person”** means an individual, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, a governmental entity or any of its agencies or subdivisions, and any business entity.

(f) **“Road” or “Roadway”** means the improved portion of a Highway, Road or Street within the jurisdiction of Greenfield Township designated for public use to include the berm that is designated or ordinarily used for travel by a Recreational Vehicle or a Motor Vehicle requiring Registration.

(g) **“Recreational Vehicle”** means an All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) or Snowmobile as defined at 75 Pa. C.S.A. §7702, as amended.

(h) **“Shoulder”** or **“Berm”** means that portion of a Highway, Road or Street on either side of the boundary lines of the Highway, Road or Street that is improved with gravel for the safety and convenience of vehicular traffic, and which is within the Township right-of-way for the Highway, Road or Street in question.

(i) Any term not defined herein that is necessary for proper interpretation of this Ordinance shall have the definition found in the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code (75 Pa. C.S.A. §101 et seq.) and/or the Snowmobile and All-Terrain Vehicle Law (75 Pa. C.S.A. §7701 et seq.) or where not defined therein, the term’s plain meaning.

**SECTION 4. Road Designations.** As permitted under the provisions of the Pennsylvania Snowmobile and All-Terrain Vehicle Law pertaining to Snowmobiles and All-Terrain Vehicles in 75 Pa. C.S.A. §7722(a), all Roads and Streets within Greenfield Township that are Township Roads or Streets shall be and are hereby designated as ATV and Snowmobile Roads and Streets, and hereinafter these Roads and Streets shall be designated as “Joint Use” Roads and/or Streets, as defined herein and as permitted in this Ordinance.

**SECTION 5. Regulations Pertaining to the Use of Recreational Vehicles.**

**5.01.** Any Person who Operates a Recreational Vehicle on a Highway, Road and/or Street within Greenfield Township shall do so only in full compliance with the provisions of the Pennsylvania Snowmobile and All-Terrain Vehicle Law, 75 Pa. C.S. §7701 et seq. (as amended), which is incorporated herein by reference, and shall also do so only in full compliance with the provisions of this Ordinance.

**5.02.** Every person who operates a Recreational Vehicle on a Highway and/or Road and/or Street within Greenfield Township must have in their possession a valid operator’s license (driver’s license) issued by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation, or other State.

**5.03.** It shall be unlawful for a Person to Operate, or for an Owner to permit another Person to Operate, a Snowmobile or an ATV:

- (a) Across a privately-owned driveway that abuts a public Highway, Road and/or Street in Greenfield Township.
- (b) Without displaying a lighted Head lamp and a lighted Tail lamp at all times of operation on a Road and/or Street within the Township.
- (c) Without being equipped with a stock muffler in good working order.
- (d) Unless such Recreational Vehicle is insured and a certificate of or proof of insurance is carried on the Recreational Vehicle while it is being Operated.

- (e) Unless there is carried on the Snowmobile or ATV a valid Registration certificate issued therefore pursuant to 75 Pa.C.S. § 7711.1(b) by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and which is displayed in the manner required by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and there is also displayed on the Snowmobile or ATV a valid expiration sticker in the manner required by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- (f) In a reckless manner, such as doing donuts, spinning tires, spinning tracks, etc., so as to cause damage to a Road and/or Street within Greenfield Township.
- (g) To Operate a Snowmobile on a Road and/or Street that is not snow covered. For purposes of this provision, a Road and/or Street is considered snow covered where the paved or graded surface of the Road and/or Street is not visible through the snow cover. Where a Road and/or Street is NOT snow-covered, a Snowmobile may only be Operated on the Shoulder or Berm of the Road or Street provided that no portion of the ski or skis is in contact with the paved or graded surface of the Road or Street that is non-snow-covered portion of the Road or Street.

**5.04.** Any person who violates any provision or provisions of this Section 5 commits a summary offense and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced:

- (a) For a first offense, to pay a fine of \$100.00 and costs of prosecution;
- (b) For a subsequent offense, to pay a fine of not less than \$300.00 nor more than \$1,000.00 and costs of prosecution.

**5.05.** In the event of a conflict between any provision of this Section 5 and a provision of the Pennsylvania Snowmobile and All-Terrain Vehicle Law, or the Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code, the more restrictive provision shall apply.

**SECTION 6. Severability.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance or its application to any Person(s), Operator or circumstances is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court, such holding(s) shall not be construed to affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions, sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases or portions of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this Ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provision or its application not be included herein.

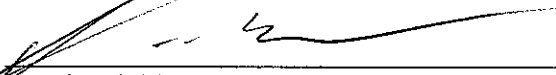
**SECTION 7. Repealer.** Any Ordinance or parts thereof that are inconsistent with this Ordinance shall be and are hereby expressly repealed.

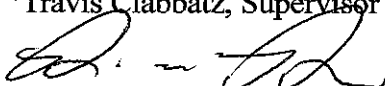
**SECTION 8. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become effective on the date of enactment hereof.

**ORDAINED AND ENACTED** by the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the duly elected Board of Supervisors of the Township of Greenfield, County of Erie, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, on this 25th day of February, 2025

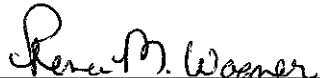
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ATTEST:

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Renee Wagner, Township Secretary