

# **ATTENTION VOLUNTEER SNOWMOBILE**

## **SAFETY INSTRUCTORS**

*Here are a few VERY Important Reminders regarding our youth program:*

**\*\*Throttle Blocks/Stops are Mandatory!\*\*** The snowmobile(s) used for student driving tests must have restricted throttles to ensure the maximum speed is 10 MPH. Using a hose clamp on the handlebar behind the throttle to restrict travel is a simple and reliable solution.



- **The performance evaluation/driving test is Mandatory!** This requirement is in state statute. *No students or instructor teams can 'opt' out.* Low/no snow, options are:
  - 1) Wait for snow - Simply conduct the classroom portion, then retain the student's paperwork, verify contact information and inform parents and students they will be contacted with a 'Performance Test' date, time and location once there is adequate snowfall.
  - 2) Wheeled Skis – Allows for the completion of the performance evaluation/driving test during no/low snow periods. (may charge extra fees to cover costs see VIP 1-7)

**A local Minnesota Company contact for wheel kits:**  
***Orion Sleds & Trailers***  
***Attn: Greg***  
***Watkins, MN***  
***320-764-6175***  
<http://www.orionsleds.com/>
  - 3) Test on ice - This is NOT recommended and should be your last resort. You MUST make certain the performance testing area ice is of adequate thickness to support snowmobile(s), instructors and students.

**Driving Course:** Instructors must use the driving course that is set forth by the MN DNR in our instructor manuals. Trail rides or any deviations from the DNR driving course are NOT permitted. Please use non-modified snowmobiles of lower engine cc's!

**We appreciate all of your hard work in delivering youth snowmobile safety in your local communities. Thank You Volunteers!!**