

Iowa Groomer Operators Certification Program

The Changes you have asked
for are HERE.

Online Training

Online Information

Realtime Updating



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- **What will stay the same**
- **Snow grooming equipment is purchased through the Iowa Snowmobile Trail Grant Program**
- **This equipment is granted on a yearly basis to clubs for use in developing and maintaining snowmobile trail systems in Iowa.**
- **Clubs are still required to maintain a list of certified snow groomer operators on SNARS who are allowed to operate the equipment.**

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To Operate a Groomer on Public Trails You Must:

- Be at least 18 years old
- Have a Valid Drivers License
- Follow Iowa Snowmobile Trail Grant Guidelines, Procedures, and Rules
- Groomer Operators License renewed online every year
- Have Permission of the Club responsible for the Groomer You Are Operating

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What is Changing?

The Groomer Operator Certification process will be 100% Online

We are going to leave it to Club Leadership to choose and train the operators for their Groomers.

On the Iowa Snowmobiler Website:

Training PowerPoints and Videos will be available on the Iowa Snowmobiler website for Clubs to use for certifying operators.

On the SNARS website:

Club Managers will fill out all required information to certify their operators. (this information is only available to club manager for their club and SNARS Admins)

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Club managers will enter the following required information.

1. Operator name
2. Address
3. Birth Date
4. Drivers license number & expiration date
5. A checklist for each operator certifying the operational tasks that are covered in the class.
6. Done Yearly for certification

This is the certification element replacing the classroom time.

The screenshot displays the SNARS Iowa Trail Grant Program - Club Portal. The header includes the GTS logo and navigation links: Home, Grooming Entries, Non Grooming Entries, Grants, Sign Order, Major Repairs, Reports, Print & Save Data, GPS, and Archive. A 'Club Manager Login' button is prominently displayed. Below this, the 'Operator/Worker Details' form is shown, with fields for Club Members Name (Todd Mangold), Birthdate, Club (Snow Pioneers), Email, Phone, Address, Driver ID Fob, Gender, Drivers License Number, Drivers License State Issued, Drivers License Date Issued, Drivers License EXP Date, and a checkbox for 'Has this Operator ever been convicted of a Conservation Violation (fishing, hunting, trapping)?'. The status is listed as 'Status'. At the bottom, there is a search bar for 'Operator Certifications' with a search button.

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After a Club's operator list is built the club manager will check a box by each operator's name that the Club is certifying that person as an operator. This will be done on a yearly basis to keep the most accurate list of the Club's operator list for each year.

When the club managers verify their Groomer tracking miles for the year, each Groomer track log has a spot for operator name. The manager adds an operator's name to that groomer track ties back to the certified operator list.

This process will satisfy all DNR and Insurance requirements for Groomer operator certification and make it easier for the clubs to certify the operators.

This is a trial run. If the committee sees a rise in groomer repairs, inconsistencies in reporting or concerning reports, The Trail Grant committee will review and make changes to the process.

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Grooming Iowa
Snowmobile
Trails

