

2020 Snowmobile Fatal Accident Summary

As of: March 20, 2020

#	Date	County/C-V-T	Location	Age / Gender / Residency	Accident Type	WI Safety Certified?	Helmet Used?	Alcohol Involved/BAC
#1	1/03/2020	Vilas / Lac du Flambeau	Public Trail	12 / M / WI	Collision with a Fixed Object	N/A	Yes	No
<i>Synopsis</i> Operator of snowmobile was towing victim and two others in a sled behind the snowmobile. The sled left the trail and struck a tree resulting in fatal injuries to the victim and serious injury to another being towed in the sled.								
#2	1/05/2020	Oneida / Lake Nokomis	Frozen Waterbody	27 / M / WI	Drove into Open Water	Yes	Yes	Yes / .16
<i>Synopsis</i> Three snowmobiles were operating across a frozen body of water when they entered an area of open water. One operator was able to reach stable ice and call 911. The other two operators/victims succumbed to the elements and were pronounced deceased by medical personnel.								
#3	1/05/2020	Oneida / Lake Nokomis	Frozen Waterbody	31 / M / WI	Drove into Open Water	No	Yes	Yes / .07
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#4	1/11/2020	Langlade / Price	Public Trail	56 / M / WI	Ejected	No	Yes	Yes / .239
<i>Synopsis</i> Operator/Victim traveled up a slight incline and lost control, resulting in ejection. Speed and alcohol appear to be contributing factors.								
#5	1/17/2020	Polk / Osceola	Public Trail	6 / F / WI	Collision with a Fixed Object / Ejected	N/A	Yes	No
<i>Synopsis</i> Operator struck a tree after a maneuver to avoid a brush pile. His Passenger/Victim who was seated in front of him on the same snowmobile suffered life threatening injuries from the impact and later died from her injuries at the hospital. The operator is being treated for serious injuries.								
#6	1/19/2020	Iron / Hurley	Public Trail	47 / F / IL	Ejected	No	Yes	Yes / .209
<i>Synopsis</i> Operator/Victim operating snowmobile on a trail; left the trail and was ejected.								
#7	1/20/2020	Calumet / Chilton	Public Trail	65 / M / WI	Snowmobile Rolled Over / Ejected	No	Yes	Yes / .105
<i>Synopsis</i> Operating on public trail, when attempting to cross roadway the Operator/Victim lost control, rolled the snowmobile and was ejected.								
#8	1/26/2020	Vilas / Arbor Vitae	Public Trail	21 / F / WI	Ejected / Collision with a Fixed Object	Yes	Yes	Yes / .246
<i>Synopsis</i> Operator/Victim failed to negotiate a turn and continued down a steep slope, striking a tree. Operator/Victim was wearing a helmet; however, it came off during the incident.								
#9	2/4/2020	Vilas / Conover	Public Trail	61 / M / IL	Collision with a Fixed Object	No	Yes	No
<i>Synopsis</i> Operator/Victim failed to negotiate a gradual turn and struck a tree.								
#10	2/8/2020	Oneida / Stella	Public Trail	29 / F / WI	Collision with a Fixed Object	No	Yes	No
<i>Synopsis</i> Operator/Victim failed to negotiate a turn in the trail and continued straight, striking multiple trees.								
#11	2/9/2020	Clark / Mayville	Private Land	28 / M / WI	Collision with a Fixed Object	Yes	Yes	Yes / Pending
<i>Synopsis</i> While operating across an open field the Operator/Victim struck a fence, resulting in fatal injuries.								
#12	2/12/2020	Outagamie / Seymour	Highway	15 / M / WI	Collision with a Moving Motor Vehicle	Yes	Yes	No
<i>Synopsis</i> Operator/Victim failed to come to a complete stop at an intersection of public trail and highway, resulting in a collision with a moving SUV.								

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#13	2/14/2020	Forest / Armstrong Creek	Public Trail	62 / M / WI	Collision with a Fixed Object	No	Yes	No / Pending
Synopsis		Operator/Victim failed to negotiate a curve and collided with several trees.						
#14	2/18/2020	Ozaukee / Fredonia	Highway	51 / M / WI	Collision with a Motor Vehicle	No	Yes	Pending
Synopsis		Operator/Victim was on public trails and collided with a flatbed truck at an intersection of trail and highway.						
#15	2/21/2020	Vilas / Star Lake	Frozen Waterbody	26 / M / IL	Collision with a Fixed Object	No	Yes	Pending
Synopsis		Operator/Victim was first in line of a group of 4 snowmobiles on a trail on Star Lake. As the victim approached where the trail left the lake, the victim overshot the trail and struck a tree along the shore. The operator on the snowmobile second in line also struck the shoreline and struck the victim.						
#16	2/22/2020	Vilas / St. Germain	Frozen Waterbody	38 / M / IL	Collision with a Fixed Object	No	No	Yes / .17
Synopsis		Operator/Victim was operating a snowmobile off-trail on Little St. Germain Lake and struck a tree along shore.						
#17	2/23/2020	Iron / Mercer	Public Trail	40 / M / IL	Collision with a Fixed Object	No	Yes	Yes / .10
Synopsis		Operator/Victim failed to negotiate a curve in trail, collided with trees and was ejected.						
#18	3/7/2020	Langlade / Upham	Public Trail	61 / M / WI	Collision with a Fixed Object	No	Yes	Yes / Pending
Synopsis		Operator/Victim was on a public trail behind a friend. The friend realized the victim was not behind him anymore and turned around. The victim was found deceased from striking a tree.						
#19	3/18/2020	Vilas / Korth Lake	Frozen Waterbody	30 / F	Collision with a Fixed Object	Pending	No	Pending
Synopsis		The Operator/Victim was operating snowmobile for a long straight distance on the frozen lake when she went airborne near the shoreline and crashed into several trees						