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571—47.1 (321G) Definitions. For purposes of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply:

"Commission" means the natural resource commission established in Iowa Code section 455A.5.

"Department" means the department of natural resources established in Iowa Code section 455A.2.

"Operator" means a person who operates or is in actual physical control of a snowmobile.

"Owner" means a person, other than a lienholder, having the property right in or title to a snowmobile. "Owner" includes a person entitled to the use or possession of a snowmobile subject to an interest in another person, reserved or created by agreement and securing payment or performance of an obligation. "Owner" does not include a lessee under a lease not intended as security.

"Public land" means land owned by the federal government, the state of Iowa, or a political subdivision of the state and land acquired or developed for public recreation pursuant to Iowa Code section 321G.7.

"Roadway" means that portion of a highway improved, designed, or ordinarily used for vehicular travel.

"Snowmobile" means a motorized vehicle weighing less than 1,000 pounds which uses sled-type runners or skis, endless belt-type tread with a width of 48 inches or less, or any combination of runners, skis, or tread and is designed for travel on snow or ice. "Snowmobile" does not include an all-terrain vehicle, as defined in Iowa Code section 321I.1, which has been altered or equipped with runners, skis, belt-type tracks, or treads.

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