



Snowmobile Safety Patrol Volunteer

Position Description

Purpose of Volunteer Service: To serve as an ambassador for the District by patrolling the preserves and trails on snowmobile. Enhance public safety by providing information and assistance with search and rescue events when needed.

Supervisors: District Public Safety Liaison, Volunteer Coordinator

Typical Assignment: Patrol District properties on snowmobile and participate in other special events.

Qualifications/Skills:

- Flexibility and ability to work as a team with other volunteers and District staff.
- Willingness to learn about the various forest preserves and their amenities.
- Ability to assume a leadership role in providing information and serving as extra “eyes and ears” for the District’s public safety department.



Requirements:

- Must be 21 years old.
- Must be an experienced rider with access to a snowmobile plus transportation.
- Follow and adhere to the [Illinois Snowmobile Registration and Safety Act](http://dnr.state.il.us/admin/snow/SnowRegs.htm), see <http://dnr.state.il.us/admin/snow/SnowRegs.htm> for more information on this Act.
- Snowmobile must be in good working condition and registered in the State of Illinois.
- Must be available to patrol on weekdays and/or weekends.
- Must wear Safety Patrol vest issued by the District while on patrol.
- Must schedule patrols ahead of time with District Public Safety Liaison to keep track of volunteer time.
- Must ride a patrol with at least one other Safety Patrol volunteer.
- Must follow all District snowmobile rules and regulations.



Expectations:

- Commit to approximately 15 hours of volunteer time per year.
- Ride and act in a polite and respected manner to others using the preserves and trail systems.
- Notify the Forest Preserve police officer on duty when you arrive to your site of patrol and again when you’re leaving.
- Arrive to your patrol on time.
- If you need to cancel your patrol, please notify District Public Safety Liaison at least 24 hours in advance. If you can, please help find a replacement.
- Provide suggestions for improvement of the volunteer program and/or your volunteer position.

Understanding:

- The role of volunteer is not to enforce laws or ordinances but rather to provide information and assistance.
- The District reserves the right to evaluate and determine any individual’s volunteer status at any time.

Training:

Volunteers are required to attend a *Volunteer Orientation* offered by the District. Optional CPR/First-Aid certification will be available through the District. Further information on the District preserves can be viewed online at www.kaneforest.com