

Sledding

Sledding is at your own risk. There must be a minimum of 4" of snow for sledding to be permitted. Sledding is allowed only in designated areas at the following preserves:

- Campton Forest Preserve (Campton Hills)
- Fabyan Forest Preserve (Geneva)
- Johnson's Mound Forest Preserve (Elburn)
- Oakhurst Forest Preserve (Aurora)

Weather permitting, Fabyan Forest Preserve is open until 9 p.m. for sledding on Fridays, Saturdays and holidays. Regular hours (sunrise to sunset) apply for all other preserves.



Ice Fishing

Ice fishing is at your own risk and is permitted only at Grunwald Farms Forest Preserve (Elburn); Hampshire South Forest Preserve (Hampshire), be advised, there is no parking lot at Hampshire South); Oakhurst Forest Preserve (Aurora); and within Paul Wolff Campground (Elgin).



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Winter Activities

in the Kane County Forest Preserves



Welcome to Winter in the Kane County Forest Preserves

We're glad to have you here! The Kane County forest preserves provide locations for various forms of winter recreation, from cross-country skiing to ice fishing. Approved areas and guidelines follow. Also, see the Forest Preserve District of Kane County's *Use Ordinance*, available online at www.kaneforest.com, for more information. We encourage you to be safe when recreating and follow all rules and regulations. All winter activities are at your own risk.

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Hours of Operation

Sunrise to sunset

Snow Minimum

There must be a minimum of 4" of snow and the ground must be frozen for snowmobiling or sledding.

Snowshoeing & Cross-Country Skiing

Snowshoeing and cross-country skiing are allowed at all Kane County forest preserves, however, the activities are not permitted in areas closed due to restoration work. Please stay on trails. Snowshoeing and cross-country skiing are at your own risk.

Please note: The Forest Preserve District of Kane County does *not* groom trails.



Snowmobiling

All state and local regulations pertaining to the operation of snowmobiles apply, including trail use sticker. There must be a minimum of 4 inches of snow and the ground must be frozen for snowmobiling to be permitted. Snowmobiling is at your own risk.

Snowmobiling is only allowed on trails marked specifically for this purpose at the following:

- Campton Forest Preserve (on internal, marked trails only)
- Great Western Trail (west of Burlington Road)
- Hampshire Forest Preserve (on internal trails only)

Snowmobiling is allowed for transit only at the following:

- Burlington Prairie Forest Preserve (transit through preserve only on marked trail)
- Glenwood Park Forest Preserve (on the Batavia Branch of the Illinois Prairie Path)
- Rutland Forest Preserve (parking only)
- Muirhead Springs Forest Preserve (transit through preserve only on marked trail)

Snowmobiling hours for preserves and trails, with the exception of the Great Western Trail west of Burlington Road, are sunrise to sunset. Snowmobiling on the Great Western Trail west of Burlington Road is permitted from sunrise to 11 p.m.



The snowmobiling speed limit in all preserves and trails is 15 mph with the exception of the Great Western Trail, west of Burlington Road, which is 35 mph. Riders must stay on trails as marked. Snowmobiling is not permitted in areas closed due to restoration work.

Volunteer Snowmobile Patrols

Trails are patrolled by the Forest Preserve District Public Safety Department, the all-volunteer Kane County Mounted Rangers, and the volunteer Snowmobile Safety Patrol. For more information on volunteering with the District, call our Volunteer Coordinator at (630) 762-2741.



Ice Skating

Outdoor ice skating is at your own risk and is permitted only at Oakhurst Forest Preserve (Aurora). Information about indoor ice skating at the independently managed Fox Valley Ice Arena is available online at www.fvia.us.

Snowboarding

Information on the independently-managed Raging Buffalo Snowboard Park is available online at www.ragingbuffalo.com.

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