

## IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR RECREATION AND SNOW VEHICLE OPERATORS

Dear Recreation and Snow Vehicle Owner:

In August of 2010, legislation was signed into law (Ch. 202 of the Acts of 2010) bringing significant changes to the Massachusetts Recreation and Snow Vehicle Law. Among the new provisions are educational requirements for youth riders, age restrictions for operators of recreation vehicles and snow vehicles, increased penalties for illegal use and a change in the registration display requirements of the recreation and snow vehicles.

Currently, if you own a recreation vehicle, your recreation vehicle has a small yellow license plate attached to the back of your vehicle. These previously issued yellow registration plates do not meet the new display requirements. If you own a snow vehicle, you were issued a 3"x 3" validation decal which was affixed to the cowling. These snow vehicle validation stickers no longer meet display requirements either. In order to comply with the changes in law, you must remove the plate from the recreation vehicle, recycle the plate, and replace it with the enclosed registration decals. These registration decals are to be affixed to both sides of the forward portion of the recreation vehicle or snow vehicle, so both decals are clearly visible and not obstructed. The registration decal that indicates the year of expiration must be placed on the **left side of the vehicle**. Your registration number has changed from your previously assigned number. Therefore, enclosed you will also find a registration card in your name with a new assigned number.

Your recreation vehicle and snow vehicle registration revenues are supporting safer operation with increased enforcement, improved rider education and enhanced designated recreation and snow vehicle trail development in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Any questions you may have concerning this law can be answered by visiting our website [www.sport.state.ma.us](http://www.sport.state.ma.us) or by calling your local Massachusetts Environmental Police registration office at the phone numbers listed below.

[www.sport.state.ma.us](http://www.sport.state.ma.us)

Boston Office	617-626-1610	Worcester Office	508-753-0603
Fall River Office	508-679-8287	Springfield Office	413-733-1642
Hyannis Office	508-771-8382		