

Equipment and Labor Rates for 2026-27 Season
Adopted by Snowmobile Recreation Council & Off-Road Vehicle Council

I. SNOW TRAIL GROOMING EQUIPMENT RATES - All rates include power unit, grooming drag & operator(s).

Class	Description	Rate/Hour
AAA	All heavy duty tracked units constructed specifically for snow grooming with a minimum of 150 horsepower (*) and capable of pulling on a sustained basis a hydraulically operated grooming drag of at least 7'6" (90 inches) frame width. OR All fully tracked agricultural tractors with a minimum of 125 horsepower (*). OR Trucks: minimum 1-ton (4-wheel drive), minimum payload of 3,500 lbs., fully-tracked with a minimum manufactured 15,000 GWV track system.	<i>\$5 more than AA</i> AAA1 - \$100 AAA2 - \$90 AAA3 - \$80 AAA4 - \$70
AA	All heavy duty tracked units constructed specifically for snow grooming having between 149 - 106 horsepower (*) and capable of pulling on a sustained basis a hydraulically operated grooming drag of at least 7'6" (90 inches) frame width. OR All fully tracked agricultural tractors with 106 – 124 horsepower (*).	<i>\$5 more than A</i> AA1 - \$95 AA2 - \$85 AA3 - \$75 AA4 - \$65
A	All wheeled or half-track agricultural tractors with all-wheel drive, minimum of 105 horsepower (*) and capable of pulling on a sustained basis a hydraulically operated grooming drag of at least 7'6" (90 inches) frame width.	A1 - \$90 A2 - \$80 A3 - \$70 A4 - \$60
1	Drag is a minimum of 11'6" (138 inches) frame width with a minimum weight of 4,000 pounds and a length of at least 20 feet including snow packing pan but excluding the tongue.	Wings that fold down outside the main frame do not increase the drag width for funding purposes. Class is based on static frame dimensions.
2	Drag is a minimum of 9'6" (114 inches) frame width with a minimum weight of 3,000 pounds and a length of at least 18 feet including snow packing pan but excluding the tongue.	
3	Drag is a minimum of 7'6" (90 inches) frame width with a minimum weight of 2,000 pounds and a length of at least 18 feet including snow packing pan but excluding the tongue.	
4	Drag is a minimum of 7'6" (90 inches) frame width.	
B	All medium duty (including pick-up trucks) tracked units constructed or adapted specially for snow grooming and capable of pulling on a sustained basis a grooming drag 5'10" to 7'5" (70-89 inches) frame width. OR All wheel type agricultural tractors with all-wheel drive or four-wheel drive assist with a range of 65-104 horsepower (*).	\$50.00
C	All light duty power units constructed or adapted for snowmobile trail grooming and capable of pulling on a sustained basis a grooming drag 4' to 5'9" (48-69 inches) frame width. Examples of the class of power units would include: ATVs/UTVs and snowmobiles. This class also includes all equipment not addressed in other classes.	\$35.00

Notes regarding correct rates for grooming equipment:

1. A Class A power unit pulling either an 11'6" or 9'6" grooming drag that does **not** meet the specifications for either 1, 2 or 3 drags will be placed at level 4 for rate purposes.
2. A Class A power unit **not** pulling a 7'6" grooming drag will be placed in Class B for rate purposes.
3. A Class B power unit **not** pulling a 5'10" grooming drag will be placed in Class C for rate purposes.
4. A power unit will **not** be placed in a higher class if it pulls a larger grooming drag than specified for the class.
5. Modifications to the drag must maintain original cutting and packing function as designed. Modifications made outside the main frame will not increase the funding class.
6. Those winged drags that were previously funded and met the specifications as stated prior 2022-23 season may continue to be funded at their previous class (drag dimensions incl) for a period of 10 years (through 2031-32)
7. Groomer time spent traveling on a route that is an integral part (as determined by DNR) of a single funded trail may be funded at a rate of 50% of the assigned groomer rate, as non-grooming transport time.
8. (*) HP is based on manufacturer's rated HP, not boosted max HP. See TractorData.com for HP ratings.

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II NON-GROOMING MAINTENANCE LABOR AND EQUIPMENT RATES A

MAINTENANCE LABOR (For other than trail grooming)

A labor rate of **\$9.00** per hour maximum is established for all non-grooming labor performed in **WINTER** trails, or **\$12.00** per hour maximum on any **SUMMER ATV/UTV trails** under the maintenance agreement by snowmobile clubs and or other similar organizations with the sponsoring county. Maintenance will generally include mowing and brushing, sign and post replacement, plowing of parking lots and roads, shelter and toilet maintenance and normal repair and replacement of structures and facilities.

The allowable labor rate for county employees and others included in labor contracts will be as specified by contract.

B EQUIPMENT RATES (For other than trail grooming)

The following schedule is based on frequently used pieces of equipment for non-grooming maintenance. The Department of Transportation rates are considered when these rates are reviewed each year. Idle time is not eligible, only time the equipment is in active use may be charged to the programs.

Equipment rates for pieces of equipment not found on this list will be found in the DOT rates. Unless specified otherwise, these rates for equipment are based on hourly use. These rates do **not** include the operator. Where the Department of Transportation issues rates that reflect an adjustment due to fuel rates, these rates shall be the rates utilized for the season.

Class	Description	Rate
101	All cars and pickup trucks	\$16.00
1128	All single, tandem, Tri, and Quad axle dump trucks over 32,000 GVWR	\$60.00
203	Articulated Wheel Loaders up to 49 hp (*)	\$35.00
206	Articulated Wheel Loaders 50 to 99 hp (*)	\$38.00
207	Articulated Wheel Loaders 100 hp and up (*)	\$57.00
216	Steel Track Type Dozers up to 99 hp (*)	\$56.00
217	Steel Track Type Dozers 100 - 149 hp (*)	\$68.00
218	Steel Track Type Dozers 150 hp and up (*)	\$75.00
223	All Agricultural Tractors and all Skid Steers up to 99 hp (*)	\$42.00
224	All Agricultural Tractors and all Skid Steers 100 hp and up (*)	\$51.00
1219	ATV/UTV <u>Tracks</u> (<i>add-on to unit itself</i>)	\$ 5.00
1220	15,000 pound GWV Rated and Up <u>Tracks</u> (Soucy or equivalent)	\$16.00
1222	Factory Built Groomers up to 105 hp (*) performing non grooming activity	\$35.00
1223	Factory Built Groomers 106 to 149 hp (*) performing non grooming activity	\$68.00
1224	Factory Built Groomers 150 and up hp (*) performing non grooming activity	\$73.00
402	Air compressor all types	\$21.00
410	Motorized mower over 23" (self-contained or pull behind)	\$20.00
413	Mower—tractor mounted	\$19.00
414	Sickle attached to power unit	\$23.00
490	Trailer less than 1 ton (use mfr. rated capacity)	\$ 8.00
491	Trailer 1-4 tons (use mfr. rated capacity)	\$16.00
493	All Trailers over 4 ton	\$24.00
250	Rubber tired Backhoe 80 HP (*) and over <i>was # 550</i>	\$80.00
558	Excavator Track type up to 149HP (*)	\$58.00
559	Excavator Track type (150HP and over)	\$75.00

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805	Portable electric generator (all types)	\$28.00
902	Chipper self-contained (minimum 25 hp*)	\$40.00
914	Chain Saw, pole saw, power pruner, brush saw, weed eaters	\$ 7.00
914T	Trailblazer brush cutter (attachment)	\$12.00
915	Auger (attachment for tractor/ skid steer), Post pounder-hydraulic	\$33.00
916	Hand-held motorized post-hole digger and power pounder	\$10.00
919	Disc/spring tooth harrow/cultimulcher/cultipacker/rototiller	\$20.00
932	Brush Cutter - hydraulic driven/Fecon head	\$34.00
940	Brush Cutter—PTO driven	\$23.00
953	Boom for brush cutter	\$21.00
975	Welder	\$13.00
9145	Snowmobile/ATV/UTV	\$19.00
9152	Stump grinder (all) hydraulic/self powered	\$36.00
9205	Rear blade/box scraper/pull behind grader or magnet/packing pan/rollers	\$10.00
9406	Chipper, PTO driven	\$25.00

ATV Summer Supplement
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Spring/Summer/Fall Trail Grooming Drags

Class	Description	Rate Per Hour
Class 1	Drag is a minimum of 7'6" in frame width with a minimum length of at least 16' excluding the tongue. Drag contains at least 2 sets of replaceable cutting blades	\$11.00
Class 2	Drag is a minimum of 7'6" in frame width	\$9.00

Example of Class 1 Drag



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