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**Vehicle Identification
Numbers —
Snowmobiles**

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VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS - SNOWMOBILES

1. PURPOSE:

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This SAE Standard is intended to provide uniform requirements for the visibility and durability of vehicle identification numbers on snowmobiles.

2. DEFINITION:

The vehicle identification number (VIN) is that number assigned to a vehicle by the manufacturer for registration and identification purposes.

3. REQUIREMENTS:

3.1 Accessibility: The VIN shall be located on a surface adjacent to the operator's right leg when in the normal seated position so that it is visible and legible to an observer without moving any part of the vehicle and without detaching or dismantling any component parts.

3.2 Durability: The VIN shall be impressed, embossed, or fabricated in a similarly durable manner in the surface of the structure or frame of the vehicle not normally considered a replaceable item, to a minimum depth of 0.010 in (0.26 mm). Materials subject to corrosion should be protected to minimize risk or loss of the VIN.

3.3 Resistance to Alteration: The VIN shall be so affixed that it will be difficult to remove, replace, or alter without detection.

4. CHARACTER OF NUMBERS:

The VIN may consist of numbers, letters, or a combination thereof. The digits shall be legible and have a minimum height of 0.25 in (6.35 mm). Protection against the likelihood of digits being added may be provided by appropriate design of the site on which the VIN is located or by the use of asterisks, or the like, before and after the VIN.

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RATIONALE:

Several years ago ATV's were divorced from the Scope of the Snowmobile Committee. Therefore, J64 has been revised to include only snowmobiles. The document has also been upgraded from a Recommended Practice to a Standard.

RELATIONSHIP OF SAE STANDARD TO ISO STANDARD:

Not applicable.

REFERENCE SECTION:

Not applicable.

APPLICATION:

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