

RULES FOR SAFE TRAIL USE

Safety is extremely important on the Hike, Bike, and Equestrian trails. Trails and shared pathways are safer and more enjoyable for everyone when all users obey the rules and treat others with respect.

Motor Vehicles (to include gasoline, diesel, electric and/or battery powered)

Except for park staff, public safety, or emergency service personnel, no person may operate or use a motor vehicle, including a motorcycle, motorbike, all-terrain vehicle, or a motorized (including electric powered) bicycle on a trail or path not designated for the use with such vehicles.

General Safety Guidelines for Trail Use

- Trail users should not be more than two abreast to avoid impeding other traffic on the trail.
- Trail users should leave ample room on the trail by riding, walking, or running on the right side of the trail – leaving room for other users to pass safely on the left.
- Pets must be kept on a short leash & under control at all times.
- Bicycles should be maintained in good condition, with properly functioning brakes
- If the path is crowded, slow down and operate in a safe manner, use a prudent speed appropriate to conditions.
- Cycle at appropriate speeds by slowing down when passing or overtaking.
- When passing pedestrians from behind, cyclists must slow down and sound a bell, or make a statement such as “on your left”.
- Earphones can hinder your ability to hear others trying to warn you; consider leaving your earphones at home or turn volume down.
- Anticipate other trail users; avoid abrupt changes in direction of travel.
- Create a safe and friendly environment by saying a quick 'hello' or 'thank you' when passing.
- Be considerate to others using the trail.
- Cyclists must yield to all uses (pedestrians, joggers, and equestrians).
- Pedestrians shall yield to joggers and equestrians.
- Pedestrians must not block the path.
- Users on roller blades, skates, or skate boards shall yield to both cyclists and pedestrians.
- Expect the unexpected.

Equestrian Trail Use

- No person may participate in equestrian activities in a park or on a trail unless designated for such use. Special permits and orientation may apply for some areas.
- Coggins papers are required for each horse that is brought onto public parks and trails.