

ER TRAIL RULES, ETIQUETTE and SAFETY TIPS

- Abide by the instructions from the trail leader.
- Vehicles going uphill have the right-of-way over other vehicles.
- Carry proper paperwork for your vehicle. Items may include driver's license, proof of insurance, vehicle registration and special land permits.
- Always keep the vehicle behind you in view to be sure no one gets left behind or has vehicle issues.
- Drive cautiously at all times, especially around blind curves. Always assume that there is a speeding vehicle in your lane coming from the opposite direction. This will prepare you for the worst.
- Pull over at existing wide spots when you are out of your vehicle, not moving or when overtaken by a faster vehicle. Be extra careful around hikers, bikers, horses and other animals.
- Leave gates the way you find them unless posted otherwise.
- Public trails often cross or parallel private land. Respect the rights of private property owners.
- Don't blast your radio or gun your engine. Don't blow your horn unless it is absolutely necessary.
- Pack out your trash, except in fee areas that have approved receptacles.
- Control your pets when they are allowed. Don't let dogs bark or chase wildlife.
- Don't remove anything from historical sites.

SAFETY TIPS

- Carry detailed paper topographic maps in case GPS unit or computer fails.
- Inspect and maintain your vehicle properly.
- Don't straddle rocks. Instead, drive over highest point with your tire.
- Ruts or washouts – The goal is to center your vehicle to remain level.
- Dry sand – make sure you are in 4-wheel drive.
- Take plenty of water.
- Always carry a good first-aid kit.