



OHV TRAILS IN LEWIS COUNTY

REGISTRATIONS?

Registration is not required to obtain an OHV Trail Permit. However the weight limit on the trails is 2,000lbs with a width up to 70". **Unregistered units are not legal on road portions of the trail system.**

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION REGARDING NYS REGISTRATION.](#)

GET YOUR OHV TRAIL PERMIT ONLINE
[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER ONLINE.](#)



OR SCAN ME!

COST:

\$65.00 - 2021 Trail Permit (Single Unit)

\$20.00 - Ea. additional OHV (Same Household)

\$20 - 3-Day Pass

*Permits sold the Tuesday after Labor Day are also valid the following year

OHV CLUB MEMBER?

A valid membership card (w/ name & membership number) is valid for a \$20 discount on Trail Permits.

DOES MY OHV NEED TO BE INSURED?

You may not operate any OHV anywhere in New York State, except on your own property, unless it is covered by liability insurance.

Minimum required coverage is \$50,000/\$100,000 for death, \$25,000/\$50,000 for injury, and \$10,000 for property damage in any one accident.

OUT-OF-STATE?

New York State honors valid out-of-state OHV registrations.

WANT TO JOIN AN OHV CLUB?

OHV Club Membership can be purchased with the permit
[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION.](#)

WHEN IS THE FREE WEEKEND?

During the first full weekend of August you do not need to purchase a pass or permit to ride the Lewis County OHV Trail System. Full weekend meaning the first Fri-Sun in August.

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CAN I RIDE ON THE TRAILS WITHOUT A PERMIT?

In order to ride the Lewis County Trails you must have either a 3-day or seasonal permit.

WHERE DOES MY PERMIT APPLICATION MONEY GO?

All permit fees will be placed in a dedicated recreational trails fund & used exclusively for the establishment, enforcement, maintenance, & operation of the Trail System.

This money will not go into the general fund & will only be spent on recreational trails in the County.

AM I BUYING A PERMIT FOR MYSELF OR MY OHV?

Permits will be issued per machine, not per person. Each permit will include a decal that must be attached in a visible location on the front left side of the permitted OHV.

CAN I DRIVE OTHER VEHICLES ON THE TRAILS?

Dirt bikes, ATVs & side by sides up to 2000 lbs are allowed. Anything that is over 2,000 lbs is not.

IS THERE A MAP OF THE TRAIL SYSTEM?

Yes, maps are available & updated every year.

WHEN IS THE TRAIL SYSTEM OPEN?

The trail system is scheduled to open April 1st based on conditions (late spring will delay opening) and closes the Tuesday after Columbus Day in October but any trail can be closed at any time due to weather, trail conditions or landowner requests.

WHO MAY OPERATE AN OHV?

Children ages 10-15 must be accompanied by an adult 18 & older OR must have successfully completed an OHV safety course & carry the course completion certificate when operating any OHV. Riders under 10, may operate an OHV but must be accompanied by an adult 18 & older.

WHAT IS THE SPEED LIMIT ON THE ATV TRAIL SYSTEM?

25 mph, unless otherwise posted.

WHAT ARE THE FINES FOR VIOLATING THE RULES & REGULATIONS FOR THE TRAIL SYSTEM?

For riding without a permit:

\$250 - 1st offense, thereafter - \$500 & a permanent revocation of access & your OHV can be confiscated.

For riding on areas outside of the designated trails:

\$500 - 1st offense, machine compounded thereafter

Altering trails to create hazards:

\$500- 1st offense, \$1000 thereafter, & violating traffic rules \$250 - 1st offense, \$500 thereafter.

WHERE WILL THE PERMIT REQUIREMENT BE ENFORCED?

Permits are required for all off road trails but a permit is not required for the Town & County roads that are opened for OHV access.

ARE THERE ANY SAFETY COURSES AVAILABLE?

Yes, the Tug Hill ATV Association & some area OHV clubs offer safety courses. Call the OHV Clubs for more information.