

Equestrian Trail Safety and Etiquette

- Wear a helmet for increased safety when trail riding.
- Speak to other trail users and communicate the best way to pass.
- Be prepared to care for yourself and your horse on the trail.
- Know the terrain and trail conditions before riding.
- If riding in a group, communicate the plans and expectations of each rider before beginning the ride.
- Only ride trails designated for equestrian use.
- Avoid riding muddy trails to prevent erosion
- Leave no trace – pack it in; pack it out.
- Clean up after your horse in staging areas and campgrounds.

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