


Trails



Horse

Horse Trail
 Wabash-Cannonball Horse Trail Connector
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Horses restricted to designated trail.
 Trailer parking on Jeffers Rd.

Round Trip Miles: 14.5

Restricted-No horses
 Grasslands & Thickets
 Woodland & Savanna
 Evergreen Forest

Trail maps
 Trailhead

Oak Openings Preserve Metropark

3765 acres

Metroparks Rules and Regulations

9.1 Riding Permit and Area Misuse
 Persons shall only use, ride or drive any horse or other animal upon bridle paths designated and established for horseback riders while within the park. (MM)

9.2 Areas Where Horses Are Permitted
 Horseback riders shall stay on the designated bridle trails when away from the stable areas and are not permitted elsewhere in the park. (MM)

9.3 Horseback Riding Safety
 No person shall ride a horse along any bridle trail without due respect for other riders, vehicles, or pedestrians or so as to endanger the life, limb, or property of any person while in lawful use of the park. (MM)

9.4 Leaving Horses Unattended
 No person shall leave a horse unattended within the park other than for purpose of stabling at a designated stable area. (MM)

9.5 Mistreatment of Horses
 No rider or other person shall mistreat, override cruelly beat, mutilate, or torture any horse within the park. (MM)

9.6 Horseback Riding Only
 No person shall use, ride, or drive any horse or other animal driven cart, wagon, sled or other conveyance upon any park trails. (MM)

20.35 Motor Vehicle Right of Way to Horses
 No person while operating a motor vehicle on a roadway in or adjacent to the park shall fail to slow down and stop the vehicle when signaled to do so upon meeting or overtaking a horse-drawn vehicle or person on horseback and to remain stationary until the vehicle or person has passed provided the signal to stop is given in good faith under circumstances of necessity and only as often and for that length of time as is required for the vehicle or persons to pass whether it is approaching from the front or rear. (MM-1st offense: 2nd offense-cite under ORC4549.01A)

20.1 Established Ways of Travel
 No person by foot, vehicle, motor vehicle, or animal shall use any portion of the park for means of travel except driveways, roadways, streets, highways, trails or any other means of travel established for such purposes. Vehicles and persons shall not enter the park except by established ways of travel. NOTE: Individuals who use mobility assist vehicles are exempt from this regulation. (MM)

20.46 Multi-Trail Use Right of Way
 When trail conditions require a right of way for safe passage, horse riders have the primary right of way, hikers next and then cyclists while on park district property trails. (MM)

8.1 Dogs, Cats and Other Animals
 Dogs, cats and other domestic pets, household or exotic animals are prohibited in the parks except under the conditions stated below or in areas designated by the Director. No person shall suffer or permit such pet or animal to enter a park or run at large in a park or remain unattended at any time while in the park. All such pets and animals shall be controlled at all times when permitted in the park on a leash not more than eight feet long unattended by and under the immediate control of the owner or another. The owner of such a pet or animal shall remove animal waste from any areas of the park grounds and must carry at all times a visible means of collecting and disposing waste properly in designated areas. Owners must comply with all state and local health and licensing requirements and any constraints imposed by law, ordinance or regulation. Waste removal shall be waived for the owner of an assist dog. (MM)

4.6 Possession of Alcoholic Beverages
 No person shall be under the influence of any intoxicating liquor or alcoholic beverage within the park, nor have in his/her possession consume (drink) any intoxicating liquor or alcoholic beverage within the park except in certain enclosed or designated areas. (MM) (ORC 4301.62B3)

