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Trail Use Permits



What is the permit program for trail use?

This program is authorized under the Recreation Enhancement Act which permits federal land management agencies to charge modest fees for some recreation uses.

Hoosier National Forest requires an annual or day-use permit for horse and bicycle use for those 17 years of age or older. 95% of the income from these permits is used to maintain trails, enhance trailheads, and improve visitor services on the Hoosier National Forest

Where are trail use permits required?

Permits are required when using a horse or bicycle on a Hoosier National Forest trail designated for that use, trailhead, or campground. Permits are not required on public roads, or on the Hardin Ridge trail. Horses and bicycles are required to stay on designated trails. Permits must be carried on your person or displayed from your horse or bike. There are approximately 184 miles of trails designated for bike use, and 211 miles of trail for horse use on the forest. Horses are not allowed at trailheads for trails that do not allow horse use.

Who needs a trail use permit?

A permit is required for each adult rider age 17 and older. The permit is issued to the rider and may not be loaned to another person. Pack stock and foals without a rider are not required to have permits. Indiana Department of Natural Resources bridle tags are for state lands and are not valid for the Hoosier National Forest.

What are the trail permit fees?

The cost of an annual permit is $35.00 per person. A daily permit is $5.00 per day per person. There are no refunds for lost or stolen permits.

How can I purchase a trail permit?

In Person: Permits can be purchased at the Tell City Ranger District, 248 15th St., Tell City, Ind., 47586 or the Brownstown Ranger District in Bedford (address below). A list of vendors that sell trail permits is on the back of this flier and on our website. Some businesses operate seasonally so call ahead for availability.

Mail Order: Use the order form below and mail with a check or money order payable to USDA Forest Service to.

Hoosier National Forest
811 Constitution Avenue
Bedford, IN 47421

Phone Order: Call with a credit card number to (812) 275-5987, or toll free 1-866-302-4173, or TDD Relay Number 1-800-877-8339

Visit www.fs.usda.gov/hoosier for information.

Trail Permit Order Form

#____Annual Tags ($35/each) _____

#____Day Use Tags ($5/day) _____

Day Use Dates _____

Total Enclosed $_____

Send Permits To:

Name:_____

Address:_____

City/State/Zip:_____

Phone _____



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Trail Permit Vendors (Alphabetical by location)

Farmer's Market
Loc. at SR 446/US 50 Jct.
6124 E. US 50
Bedford, IN 47421
Phone (812) 834-9022

Birdseye One Stop
500 W. State Road 64
Birdseye, IN 47513
Phone (812) 389-2898

Bicycle Garage, Inc
507 E. Kirkwood Ave.
Bloomington, IN 47408
Phone (812) 339-3457

Bikesmiths
112 S. College Ave.
Bloomington, IN 47404
Phone (812) 339-9970

Fishin' Shedd
4855 S. State Road 446
Bloomington, IN 47401
Phone (812) 837-9474

Clarksville Schwinn
111 W. Lewis and Clark Pkwy
Clarksville, IN 47129
Phone (812) 948-2453

Bicycle Station
1201 Washington Street
Columbus, IN 47201
Phone: (812) 379-9005

Springs Valley Hardware
799 S. State Road 145
French Lick, IN 47432
Phone (812) 936-4411

Gray Goat Sports, Inc.
7750A S. Meridian Street
Indianapolis, IN 46217
Phone (317) 780-4828

Indy Cycle Specialist
5804 E. Washington St.
Indianapolis, IN 46219
Phone (317) 356-4585

Story Inn
Loc. in Story at SR135 &
Elkinsville Rd.
6404 S. State Road 135
Nashville, Indiana 47448
Phone (812) 988-2273

Harden's Camp Tennessee, IN
5551 Hickory Grove Road
Norman, IN 47264
Phone: (812) 236-9695

Hoosier Horse Camp
6732 N. County Road 1250 W
Norman, IN 47264
Phone: (812) 621-0051

Maumee Valley Campground
Loc. 5.5 miles off SR 58. Take
N. Cleveland St. out of Kurtz
8986 N. County Rd. W
Norman, IN 47264
Phone (812) 995-8812

Midwest Trail Ride
Loc. on Tanyard Rd, off Hunters
Creek Rd.
1264 Hunters Creek Rd.
Norman, IN 47264
Phone (812) 834-6686

Orleans Marathon
281 S. Maple Street
Orleans, IN 47452
Phone: (812) 865-3488

Marathon - Riley Oil Company
110 E. Main Street
Paoli, IN 47454
Phone: (812) 723-2294

RJ's Food Mart
Junction of 50 and 150
7320 US Hwy 150
Shoals, IN 47581
Phone (812) 247-3761

Circle "S" Mart
Loc. on SR 37, 3 mi. south of I-64
22345 Old State Road 37
St. Croix, IN 47576
Phone (812) 843-4545

Ole Country Store
Loc. 1.5 mi. so of I-64 at
SR 66/62 jct.
7 W. State Road 62
Sulphur, IN 47174
Phone (812) 739-2614

Big Tales Bait and Tackle
1002 Main Street
Tell City, IN 47586
Phone (812) 547-0908