

Equestrian Activity Rules and Regulations

Thank you for using the Equestrian Trails at Barboursville Park. We hope your rides will all be safe and enjoyable. Please use the following information to ensure your safety and the safety of all who utilize the Trail System at Barboursville Park. If you have any questions, you may call the Recreation and Activities Coordinator at (304) 633-4157 for more information.

Equestrian Trail Use

- * Participants must register annually at the Barboursville Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) on Main Street in Barboursville during normal business hours to obtain a permit to ride designated equestrian trails at Barboursville City Park. This permit must be visibly displayed while riding in the park
- * Each participant in an equestrian activity assumes the risk of legal responsibility for an injury, loss or damage to a person or property which results from participation in an equestrian activity. Each participant shall have the sole responsibility for knowing the range of his or her own ability to manage, care for, and control a particular horse or perform a particular equestrian activity and it shall be the duty of each participant to act within the limits of the participants own ability, to maintain reasonable control of the horse or horses at all times while participating in an equestrian activity, to heed all posted warnings, to perform equestrian activities only in an area or in facilities designated by the horseman and to refrain from acting in a manner which may cause or contribute to the injury of anyone. (ref. WV Code 20-4)
- * A Participant involved in an accident of any type shall not depart from the area or facility where the equestrian activity took place without leaving personal identification, including name and address or without notifying the proper authorities or without obtaining assistance when that person knows or reasonably should know that any other person involved in the accident is in need of medical or other assistance. (ref. WV Code 20-4-4)
- * Approved protective headgear must be worn by all riders under the age of 18 and should be worn by riders over 18 unless a waiver has been signed
- * No equestrian trail riding is permitted at Barboursville Park within 48 hours after measurable precipitation has fallen from November 1st to April 15th. No equestrian trail riding is permitted within 24 hours of 1 inch of precipitation from April 15th to November 1st at Barboursville Park. Decisions concerning opening of the Equestrian trails rest with the Barboursville Park Board or their designated representative. Always consult the Barboursville Parks and Recreation Facebook page prior to heading to the park. The Barboursville Park Board has designated someone to update the Facebook page on a regular basis so riders can check to see if the trails are open.
- * Riders are expected to follow these common rules of courtesy:
 - * Ride only on trails designated equestrian only, equestrian friendly, or shared
 - * Keep right when meeting or passing oncoming traffic
 - * Use good stewardship in keeping trails unobstructed and clean
 - * Deposit manure in the designated collection repository
 - * Exercise courtesy and consideration when engaging other park participants

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