

# RULES AND REGULATIONS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY

- No person shall possess, consume, sell, distribute, or transport alcoholic beverages upon park property.
- No person shall possess or transport a firearm on park property. In addition to its ordinary meaning, firearms shall include BB guns, bows and arrows, pellet guns, air guns, and slingshots.
- Pets permitted only in designated areas.  
(See *Park Supplemental Rules and Regulations for possible exceptions.*)
- Littering is prohibited. All refuse, trash, and rubbish shall be removed from the park or placed in park receptacles. Dumping of grass clippings, leaves, branches, and other landscape materials is prohibited.
- No person shall engage in unruly, indecent, boisterous, or disorderly behavior.
- Possession and/or use of controlled substances is strictly prohibited.
- Fires are not permitted except in picnic areas providing fireplaces. All fires must be extinguished prior to leaving the picnic area.
- Persons wishing to utilize picnic facilities should contact the park facility regarding reservation policy.
- Vehicles shall only be parked in those areas designed for parking.
- Operating a vehicle on a park road in a reckless or negligent manner and/or in excess of posted speed limit or in such a manner as to endanger other park users is strictly prohibited.
- Hunting, trapping, feeding, or harming wildlife is not permitted on park property at any time.
- No person shall release or abandon a wild or domestic animal on park property.
- No person shall release non-native fish or aquatic life in any park waters.
- No person shall cut, mutilate, remove, or take any plant.
- No person shall deface, damage, or remove any park property.
- Fireworks are prohibited.
- No person shall swim except in areas designated for such activity.
- Horseback riding and bicycles are permitted only in areas specifically designated for such purposes.  
(See *Park Supplemental Rules and Regulations.*)
- Use of metal detectors is prohibited.  
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- Motorized vehicles are prohibited including snowmobiles, trail bikes, all-terrain vehicles, and minibikes.
- Park hours are as posted.
- Posting of signs, distributing, selling, servicing, or renting of any supplies, equipment, material, or commodity whatsoever, or soliciting for any purpose without written authorization from the Parks Department is prohibited.

## SUPPLEMENTAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE SCHUYLKILL RIVER TRAIL IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY

- Posting of signs, distributing, selling, servicing, or renting of any supplies, equipment, material, or commodity whatsoever, or soliciting for any purpose without written authorization from the Parks Department is prohibited.
- No motor vehicles permitted, except for emergency vehicles.
- All persons using the trail must remain on the trail right-of-way. Trail right-of-way includes the paved trail surface and 4 feet on each side of this paved surface. Outside the area is private property.
- Dogs are permitted but must be on a leash not exceeding 6 feet. Dogs must be attended to at all times by owner who must clean up after pets.
- All bikers and in-line skaters are urged to use safety helmets and other necessary safety equipment.
- All trail users are urged not to wear radio headsets for safety reasons.
- Trail Ranger Patrol provided from dawn to dusk only.
- All users KEEP RIGHT, PASS LEFT. Give warning before passing.
- Share the trail.
- Horses are not permitted on the paved portion of the trail.

**Enforcement:** *Montgomery County Parks Department shall enforce these regulations in Montgomery County utilizing Resolution #96-C.312.*

**Penalties:** *Any person(s) violating any of the provisions of these rules and regulations shall be guilty of a summary offense and, upon conviction, shall be subject to a fine payable to the county, not to exceed \$100, and for the cost of prosecution or be imprisoned in the county jail for not more than 30 days, or both.*

**In the City of Philadelphia, please follow all posted rules for that area.**

## SAFETY and COURTESY TIPS



In almost any outdoor activity there is some risk. Remember to be alert and careful when using the trail. "911" phones are provided for emergency use only. You will notice mileage markers on the trail. They are there for your use when reporting emergencies and to gauge your mileage use. Milepost "0" is at the Betzwood entrance to the Valley Forge National Historical Park (VF).

*Let's All Watch Out for Each Other  
and Have Fun - Safely!*

### All Users

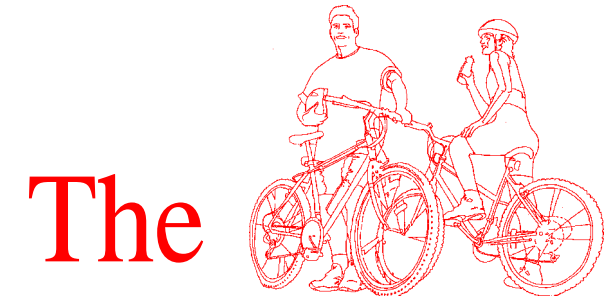
- Obey all trail signs and posted rules and regulations.
- Show courtesy for other trail users at all times.
- Respect the rights of adjacent property owners. Much of the surrounding land is private property. Please stay on the trail except where designated for public use. This is especially important where the trail passes through or adjacent to an active railroad corridor or in a residential area.
- Use trash receptacles where provided.

### Bicyclists and In-Line Skaters

- Yield to pedestrians.
- Ride at a safe speed. A 15 mph speed limit is recommended.
- Slow down and form a single line for congested conditions. Be prepared to stop.

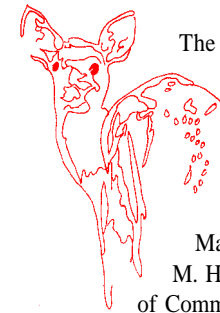
### Pedestrians

- Watch for other trail users.
- Be especially alert when stopping or turning around. Expect to be passed from behind.
- Listen for audible signals and help faster trail users (*runners, bicyclists, in-line skaters*) pass safely.
- Form a double or single line for congested conditions.



# The Schuylkill River Trail

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