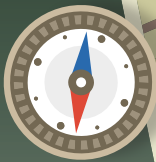


# Sustainable Trail Use



**Leave no trace – keep our trails beautiful and safe.**

There are many benefits to the County's natural spaces, and it's up to all of us to protect it.

**Our trails are vital habitats for animals, plants, and pollinators.** By taking care of these spaces, we can keep them safe and enjoyable for everyone, now and in the future. Here's how you can help:

## The importance of caring for our trails:

- ✓ **Protect wildlife:** Trails are home to plants and animals.
- ✓ **Prevent damage:** Stay on trails to avoid harming the land and impacting the water.
- ✓ **Make trails safe:** Responsibly used trails are fun and safe for everyone.
- ✓ **Keep the beauty:** Minimizing litter keeps nature looking great.



## Trail rules to follow:



- ➔ **Stay on marked trails:** Don't climb over fences or go off-trail.
- ➔ **Be careful near edges:** Keep away from eroded areas to avoid danger.
- ➔ **Respect trail closures:** Trails close to protect people and nature.
- ➔ **Carry out your trash:** Use garbage bins or take your trash home.
- ➔ **Pick up litter:** Leave the trail better than you found it.
- ➔ **Respect animals:** Don't disturb or feed wildlife.
- ➔ **Protect plants:** Avoid picking flowers or plants.
- ➔ **Share the trail:** Be polite and yield to others when needed.
- ➔ **Keep it quiet:** Help everyone enjoy a peaceful experience.
- ➔ **No motorized vehicles:** Trails are for walking, biking, and hiking.

## Stay safe on the trails:

- ➔ **Watch out for poison ivy:** Stay on trails to minimize potential exposure.
- ➔ **Respect the water:** Don't swim or wade in undesignated spots.
- ➔ **Check for ticks:** Use bug spray and check yourself, kids, and pets after your hike.
- ➔ **Supervise kids and pets:** Nature is fun, but accidents can happen.
- ➔ **Stay sun-safe:** Apply sunscreen and wear a hat or lightweight clothing to protect your skin.
- ➔ **Bring water:** Carry enough water for everyone, especially on warm days or longer hikes.

Let's all work together to keep the County of Brant's trails clean, safe, and beautiful for everyone to enjoy!



NO FIRES



NO CAMPING  
OR LODGING



NO OVERNIGHT  
PARKING



NO MOTORIZED  
VEHICLES



NO SNOWMOBILES



NO ALCOHOL



NO LITTERING

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