

**OHIO RIVER FOUR WHEELERS, INC.**  
Trailride Rules and Considerations

1. All trailride Registrants must be 18 years of age and have a valid driver's license. If the intended driver of a vehicle is under 18 years of age, he/she must have valid driver's license, and a legal guardian must register for them and accompany them on the trailride.
2. All trailride vehicles must be licensed and street legal. The Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) requires that registration and proof of insurance be carried in the vehicle. We will be riding on public roads and all DMV rules and regulations must be observed. Remember, if any one vehicle gives cause to be stopped by an officer of the law, we all will have to wait.
3. Seatbelts are required for all occupants in your vehicle – NO EXCEPTIONS. Seatbelt use is mandatory for all dependent minors and you will be warned if violations of this rule are observed. You will be asked to leave our trailride if violations persist.
4. All vehicles must have either a factory steel roof and supports (e.g. Cherokee, Liberty, etc.), or a roll bar or roll cage system of factory design or better.
5. Alcoholic beverages and/or illegal substances are not permitted on our trailrides. If a person is observed with any such item, or is perceived to be 'under the influence' of any such item, hi/she will be asked to leave and, if necessary, the proper authorities will be notified.
6. All trailride registrants and any accompanying participants must sign a 'RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT OF OHIO RIVER FOUR WHEELERS.'

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**IF YOU CANNOT COMPLY, OR WILL NOT AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE SIX (6) RULES, YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR TRAILRIDE EVENT.**

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7. Vehicles must be in good running and capable condition. If your vehicle develops a serious, repeated, or crippling mechanical condition during the trailride, please be considerate. Let us show you and a friend a fast way out of the trail system so that the remainder of the group can enjoy a full day of riding.
8. Vehicles are expected to have front and rear tow hooks, D-Rings, or other attachment points for winching, snatching, or recovery operations. Connection to any other drive train or body part can cause serious damage to the vehicle, damage or failure of the attached cable or strap, and may lead to serious personal injury. Connecting to a trailer ball is extremely dangerous and is forbidden. Drivers are responsible for attachment to their own vehicles.
9. It is recommended that each vehicle be equipped with a properly working, accessible fire extinguisher and a complete first aid kit.
10. During winching, snatching, or recovery operations.
  - a. The use of a tow chain is prohibited.
  - b. Tree straps are required when attaching cable to a tree.
  - c. Use of a cable weight bag, or heavy blanket or coat is required for winching with a steel cable.
  - d. All persons not directly involved in the operation should maintain proper safe distances.
11. All vehicles are expected to carry a full size spare tire.

12. Please do not bring aggressive pets.
13. Bring tools, fluids (oil, ATF, anti-freeze, gear oil, etc.), nuts & bolts, and any parts specific to you vehicle, especially if your rig is custom or has hard to find parts. Don't rely on someone else to have parts for your vehicle.
14. Bring sufficient food, drinks, and snack for everyone in your vehicle. There are no restaurants or stores on the trail (Think this sounds too obvious? We can tell you some stories!!) If you bring a pet, bring them food and water. Bring extra in case a situation develops and the group is late returning to camp.
15. The Trail Boss is the ultimate authority on the trailride. Generally, they are long-time four wheelers and are familiar with the trails. Their responsibility is to lead the group to complete the designed ride in a safe, enjoyable manner. Please follow their instructions. Their decisions will be based upon the following, in order of priority: personal safety of each participant, avoidance of vehicle damage, enjoyment of the trailride, timely return to camp. The Trail Boss has the authority to: **a)** alter, change, or shorten a designed trailride; **b)** establish vehicle line-up order; **c)** schedule breaks; **d)** limit the amount of time, number of attempts, or if a person should attempt a particular obstacle; **e)** restrict the line of travel for minimal impact to the land (stay on the trail); **f)** direct any recovery operations; **g)** split the trail group; **h)** assign another Trail Boss in his absence; **i)** plan for the temporary abandonment and subsequent recovery of an incapacitated vehicle, but only as a last resort; **j)** request any person to leave the trailride for any of the reasons mentioned elsewhere in these "Rules and Considerations." A Trail Boss will never force a driver to attempt an obstacle if there is an easier established route.
16. Never lose sight of the vehicle behind you. Never lose sight of the vehicle in front of you. The Trail Boss has determined a reasonable speed for the trailride based upon the terrain. Keep up. If a problem arises and someone in the group has to slow or stop, let the Trail Boss know immediately.
17. If the group stops for any reason (e.g. lunch or a mechanical problem), please move your vehicle to the side of the trail. Other trail users will be able to pass and they will appreciate our consideration.
18. Say 'Hello' to everyone you meet on the trail.
19. It is important that we can use our CB radios for communications. We encourage everyone to talk, but please don't 'hog' the airwaves or play music into the microphone.

Remember, your individual actions reflect upon our whole group and affect how our trailrides and events are welcomed in this community. Whether in the campground, hotels, restaurants, service stations, or on the local roads or trails, please be courteous to all. Be friendly, show patience, and express appreciation. We are the visitor here, and it can take very little bad publicity to turn a locality against us. We want to be welcomed back.

# RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT OF OHIO RIVER FOUR WHEELERS, INC.

In consideration of being permitted to participate in any event sponsored, promoted, or directed by the **Ohio River Four Wheelers, Inc.**, the undersigned for himself, his personal representative, heirs and next of kin, **HEREBY RELEASES** the corporation, officers, directors, promoters, sponsors and employees of the corporation of all liability to the undersigned, his personal representatives, heirs and next of kin for any loss of damage on account of injury to the undersigned or his property or resulting in the death of the undersigned whether caused by negligent act or omission of Releasees or otherwise while the undersigned is for any purpose participating in such event. It is fully understood by each of the undersigned that there is some inherent risk associated with this event, including damage to vehicles.

**IN ADDITION**, the undersigned **AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS** the Releasees from any loss, liability damage, or cost they incur due to such participation by the undersigned, whether caused by Releasee's negligence or otherwise and **AGREE TO ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY AND RISK** for any bodily injury, death, or property damage from Releasee's negligence or otherwise while the undersigned is participating in this event.

In signing this release, each of the undersigned hereby acknowledges and represents the following:

1. That he or she had read the foregoing Release and Waiver of Liability and Indemnity Agreement
2. That he or she shall at all times, while riding in a vehicle participating in this event, wear their respective seatbelts
3. That the owner/driver certifies that he/she has inspected this vehicle and same is in good mechanical condition
4. That the owner/driver has informed himself about the event and trail involved in the event, either by prior participation or by investigation into the event and trail

## WAIVER MUST BY SIGNED BY ALL PARTICIPANTS

(For a participant under 18 years of age, both parents, the parent with legal custody, or the minor's legal guardian must sign this release form and write the word "**minor**" and age next to the minor's name.)

Vehicle: \_\_\_\_\_ License No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner/Driver: \_\_\_\_\_

Date	Participant's Signature	Print Name
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