

Trail Etiquette

- » **Stay on designated trails** marked with **orange** ♦ diamonds
- » Wear your seatbelts.
- » Do not go around or under barriers.
- » Drive over, not around obstacles to avoid widening the trail.
- » Straddle ruts, gullies and washouts even if they are wider than your vehicle.
- » Control wheel spin, which causes rutting.
- » Stop frequently and scout ahead on foot. To help with traction, lower tire pressure to where you see a bulge. Know where the differential or the lowest point on your vehicle is. This helps in negotiating terrain and prevent vehicle damage that causes oil or fluid spills on the trail.
- » Be courteous to others on the trail. Yield the right of way to those passing you or traveling uphill.
- » Keep speeds low while in trail heads and camp grounds.
- » Pack out what you pack in. Help keep our trails beautiful. Stop and collect trash on trails left by others.

Winching basics



- » Before your trip, inspect your equipment. Test to ensure it is operable, and examine cables for fraying.
- » Find a good secure anchor and never winch with less than five wraps around the drum.
- » While wearing gloves, attach towing cable, tree strap, or chain as low as possible to the object being winched. Let the winch do the work; never drive the winch.
- » Throw a large, heavy towel or cable recovery damper over the middle of the winch line to protect yourself in case of a snap. Do not step over winch cables in use.
- » Have others keep a safe distance from the winch cable and vehicle during recovery.

OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLES (OHV)



USDA Forest Service
Uwharrie National Forest



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Troy, NC 27371
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Pass Required
Day pass or annual pass

A pass is required and must be displayed on windshield and must be fully visible

Day pass is valid until 12:00 midnight of the date written on the pass

Vendors:

BC Trading Post:
2000 NC Hwy 109N, Troy 27371

Eldorado Outpost:
4021 NC Hwy 109N, Troy 27371

Uwharrie Trails General Store:
4568 NC Hwy 109N, Troy 27371

Uwharrie NF District Rangers Office:
789 NC Hwy 24/27E, Troy 27371

Swift Island BP:
4560 NC Hwy 24/27W, Mt. Gilead 27306

Uwharrie Sportsman:
4593 NC Hwy 24/27W, Mt. Gilead 27306

Plan Ahead



- Check the weather before your trip
- Inspect your vehicle to ensure everything is in working order
- Top off fluids before your trip and bring additional fluids with you
- Tell someone of your travel plans and estimated return date/time
- Carry a trail map
- Pack water & snacks
- Pack a first aid kit & fire extinguisher
- Pack trash bags, recovery gear, tools, spare parts & a spill kit
- Carry a cell phone or CB radio
- Have a plan to recover your vehicle in case it becomes inoperable

Prohibitions

Cannot operate under the influence of ALCOHOL or drugs including prescription drugs

No reckless driving

Must have working head and tail light

Unlicensed vehicles are not allowed on designated Forest Service roads. If your vehicle does not have a license plate, you must trailer it to trail heads.



Daniel Trail is **extremely difficult**. Dutch John and Dickey Bell Trails are rated **difficult**.

It is advised that only experienced operators should ride on these trails