FOREST SUPERVISOR'S ORDER
George Washington & Jefferson National Forests
Order Number 01-88-09

OCCUPANCY AND USE OF THE SOUTH PEDAL TRAIL SYSTEM
AND ACCESS ROADS

Pursuant to the provisions of 36 CFR 261.59(b), it is hereby ordered that the prohibitions hereinafter set forth apply to Forest Roads, Trailheads, and Forest Trails for the South Pedal ATV Trail System identified as such on the attached map. The Trail System is located on the Glenwood and Pedlar Ranger Districts of the George Washington and Jefferson National Forests in Amherst County, Virginia.

Forest Roads, Trails and Trailheads: #800, South Pedal Trail; #801, Rattlesnake Trail; #802, Terrapin Trail; #803, Lone Mountain Trail; #804, Lasso Trail; #805, Otter Trail; #806, Piney Trail; Rattlesnake Trailhead at the end of Forest Road #564; and Terrapin Trailhead at the end of Forest Road #319, Forest Road #319, and Forest Road #564.

NOTE: Operation of ATVs (all-terrain-vehicles) and unlicensed motorbikes is permitted only at trailheads and on designated trails of the ATV Trail System.

This order shall expire April 1, 2014.

The following are prohibited acts:

1. Operation of ATVs and unlicensed motorcycles is prohibited on Forest Roads that access the trailheads for the ATV Trail System. 261.54(a)

2. Operating a motor vehicle without operable brakes, muffler, spark arrester, headlights, tail lights, and brake lights (if factory equipped) or that exceeds a noise limit of 99 dBA at 20 inches at test RPMs. 261.55(d)

3. Operating without a protective helmet of a type approved for use by motorcycle operators bearing either the Department of Transportation (DOT) label, the American National Standards Institute label (ANSI Z90.1), or the Snell Memorial Foundation label. 261.55(c)

4. Operating a vehicle greater than 50 inches wide. 261.55(d)

5. Operating a vehicle without a seat designed to be straddled by the rider. 261.55(d)

6. Operating a vehicle not controlled by handle bars. 261.55(d)

7. By any person under the age of sixteen, except that children between the ages of twelve and sixteen may operate ATV’s or motorbikes, if accompanied by an adult, and on an appropriately sized vehicle per Virginia State Law. 261.55(d)

8. With a passenger at any time, unless the vehicle is manufactured for multiple passengers. 261.55(d)
9. Using a saddle, pack or draft animal. 261.55 (c)

10. Shortcutting a switchback in a trail. 261.55 (c)

11. Operating cross-country or on an undesignated trail. 261.56

12. Possessing or consuming a beverage which is defined as an alcoholic beverage by State Law on any part of the ATV Trail System, trailheads or on Forest Roads # 319 and # 564. 261.58 (bb)

13. Camping in and around all trailheads and anywhere within the South Pedlar ATV Trail System area. 261.58 (c)

14. Fires, campfires, and stove fires are prohibited in and around all trailheads. The NO FIRE ZONE extends 500 feet from the outside edge of the trailheads. 261.52 (a)

15. Operating a vehicle on any trail or trailhead within the ATV Trail System during the normal period of closure (December 1 through April 1) each year, unless otherwise stated. 261.55 (a)

16. Parking or leaving trailers or other haul vehicle over 16 feet length at trailheads. 261.58(g)

The above prohibited acts are set forth in Title 36 CFR, Section 261.50; 261.52; 261.15; 261.54; 261.55; 261.56 and 261.58.

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(c) the following persons are exempt from all clauses of this order:

Any Federal, State, or Local Officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force engaged in the performance of an official duty.

Done at Roanoke, Virginia this 15th day of April, 2009.

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Forest Supervisor

Violations of the above prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than $5,000 or imprisonment for not more than 6 months or both.

Title 16 U.S.C. 551