



Forest Service
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Trail Use Permits



What is the permit program for trail use?

This program is authorized under the Recreation Enhancement Act which permits federal land management agencies to charge modest fees for some recreation uses.

Hoosier National Forest requires an annual or day-use permit for horse and bicycle use for those 17 years of age or older. Ninety-five percent of the income from these permits is used to maintain trails, enhance trailheads, and improve visitor services on the Hoosier National Forest

Where are trail use permits required?

Permits are required when using a horse or bicycle on a Hoosier National Forest trail, trailhead, or campground designated for that use. Permits are not required on public roads, or on the Hardin Ridge Trail. Horses and bicycles are required to stay on designated trails. Permits must be carried on your person or displayed from your horse or bike. There are approximately 184 miles of trails designated for bike use, and 211 miles of trail for horse use on the forest. Horses are not allowed at trailheads for trails that do not allow horse use and bikes are not allowed at trailheads for trails that do not allow bike use.

Who needs a trail use permit?

A permit is required for each rider age 17 and older. The permit is issued to the rider and may not be loaned to another person. Pack stock and foals without a rider are not required to have permits. Indiana Department of Natural Resources bridle tags are for state lands and are not valid for the Hoosier National Forest.

What are the trail permit fees?

The cost of an annual permit is \$35.00 per person. A daily permit is \$5.00 per day per person. There are no refunds for lost or stolen permits

How can I purchase a trail permit?

In Person: Permits can be purchased at the Tell City Ranger District, 248 15th St., Tell City, Ind., 47586 or the Brownstown Ranger District in Bedford (address below). A list of vendors that sell trail permits is on the back of this flier and on our website. Some businesses operate seasonally so call ahead for availability.

Mail Order: Use the order form below and mail with a check or money order payable to USDA Forest Service to:

Hoosier National Forest
811 Constitution Avenue
Bedford, IN 47421

Phone Order: Call with a credit card number to (812) 275-5987, or toll free 1-866-302-4173, or TDD Relay Number 1-800-877-8339

On-line: Purchase digital trail use permits for day or annual use online at Recreation.gov/activitypass/hoosier-trails via a mobile device at the site or in advance. Cell phone reception is not always available on the Forest.

Visit www.fs.usda.gov/hoosier for information.

Trail Permit Order Form

____ Annual Tags (\$35/each) _____
____ Day Use Tags (\$5/day) _____
Day Use Dates _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Send Permits To:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone _____



Trail Permit Vendors (Alphabetical by location)

Farmer's Market

Loc. at SR 446/US 50 Jct.

6124 E. US 50

Bedford, IN 47421

Phone (812) 834-9022

Fishin' Shedd

4855 S. State Road 446

Bloomington, IN 47401

Phone (812) 837-9474

Bicycle Station

1201 Washington Street

Columbus, IN 47201

Phone: (812) 379-9005

Springs Valley Hardware

799 S. State Road 145

French Lick, IN 47432

Phone (812) 936-4411

Brown County Bikes

185 S Jefferson St Suite A,

Nashville, IN 47448

(812) 200-1115

www.browncountybikes.com

Harden's Horse Camp

5551 Hickory Grove Road

Norman, IN 47264

Phone: (812) 236-9695

Maumee Valley Campground

Loc. 5.5 miles off SR 58. Take

N. Cleveland St. out of Kurtz

8986 N. County Rd. W

Norman, IN 47264

Phone: (812) 995-8812

Orleans Marathon

281 S. Maple Street

Orleans, IN 47452

Phone: (812) 865-3488

Marathon - Riley Oil Company

110 E. Main Street

Paoli, IN 47454

Phone: (812) 723-2294

RJ's Food Mart

Junction of 50 and 150

7320 US Hwy 150

Shoals, IN 47581

Phone (812) 247-3761

Circle "S" Mart

Loc. on SR 37, 3 mi. south of I-64

22345 Old State Road 37

St. Croix, IN 47576

Phone (812) 843-4545

Ole Country Store

Loc. 1.5 mi. so of I-64 at

SR 66/62 jct.

7 W. State Road 62

Sulphur, IN 47174

Phone (812) 739-2614

Big Tales Bait and Tackle

1002 Main Street

Tell City, IN 47586

Phone (812) 547-0908