**Peters Mill Run/Taskers Gap OHV**

**Annual, 3-Day and Daily Permit Order Form**

Prior to using the Peters Mill Run and Taskers Gap OHV Trail System, each trail user must purchase one of 3 types of permits: **daily permit** ($5.00 per person), **3-day permit** ($12.00 per person for 3 *consecutive* days) or an **annual permit** ($30.00/per calendar year). An OHV is defined as any motorized vehicle designed for or capable of cross-country travel including, but not limited to 2WD and 4WD vehicles, motorcycles, dirt bikes and all-terrain vehicles (ATVs).

Complete and return this information sheet **with your payment** for issuance of a permit to use Peters Mill Run/Taskers Gap OHV Trail System.

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| **Mail to: Peters Mill Run/Taskers Gap OHV Trail Permit USDA Forest Service, Lee Ranger District 95 Railroad Avenue, Edinburg, VA 22824** | | |
| **Name** |  | |
| **Mailing Address** |  | |
| **Phone Number** |  | |
| **Email Address** |  | |
| **Daily Permit** | | |
| (Remember a permit is needed for each OHV Trail User)  # of Permits \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ X $ 5.00 each = $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | | |
| **3-Day Permit (valid for 3 *consecutive* days only)** | | |
| (Remember a permit is needed for each OHV Trail User)  # of Permits \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ X $ 12.00 each = $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | | |
| **Annual Permit (valid for the calendar year)** | | |
| (Remember a permit is needed for each OHV Trail user)  # of Permits\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ X $30.00 each = $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | | |
| Total Amount enclosed | | $ |
| **Make Checks Payable to 0808 Collection Officer** | | |

**Fee Information**

**Peters Mill Run & Taskers Gap OHV Trail System**

USDA Forest Service George Washington & Jefferson National Forests

***Lee Ranger District***

**Why am I charged a fee?**

OHV trails are the most expensive trails and facilities to maintain; in the last few years, over half the budget for trails on the Lee District has gone towards maintaining routes for OHVs. Recreation fee revenues continue to be an essential piece of the funding mix to help provide sustainable, quality recreation services.

**What do you use the fees for?**

Ninety-five percent of the fees collected stay at the site for repair, maintenance, and enhancement of trails.

**Who needs to pay a fee?**

Every trail user on Peters Mill Run and Taskers Gap OHV Trail System must purchase a permit.

**Who is the trail open to? Must they all pay a fee?**

The trail is a multi-use trail. Anyone can use the trail including hikers, mountain bikers and horse back riders. All trail users are required to pay the fee and possess a permit.

**How much are the permits?**

There are three permits available. A daily permit costs $5.00 and an annual permit (which is good for the calendar year in which it was bought (January 1 – December 31) and it costs $30.00. The new 3-day permit is available for the cost of $12.00 (days must be consecutive).

**Are the trails open year round?**

The OHV System is closed from the 3rd Monday in January to the 3rd Monday in March each year.

**Is the permit transferable to another trail user?**

No the permit will only be valid for the person whose name is on the sticker.

**Is my annual permit replaceable?**

No. If you loose your daily, 3-day or annual permit, it is not replaceable. You must buy a new permit.

**Will my America the Beautiful, Golden Age or Golden Access be accepted at the OHV System?**

No. These passes do not apply to a special fee area like an OHV System. All users must purchase a permit.

**Do I have to pay when using the roads and trails to hunt?**

Yes

**What are the consequences for not paying the fee and acquiring a permit?**

According to 36 CFR 261.17 there will be a $75 fine.

**Can I obtain a permit through the mail?**

Yes. You may obtain a permit through the mail. Contact the Lee Ranger District office or visit [www.fs.fed.us/r8/gwj/lee](http://www.fs.fed.us/r8/gwj/lee) to acquire the form. Fill out the form, enclose the appropriate amount of money and mail to the Lee District office for processing. Checks and money orders are accepted; credit cards are not accepted.

**When is the OHV Trail System open?**

The Trail System is open 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. The OHV Trail System is closed from the third Monday in January to the 3rd Monday in March each year to provide resource protection on the trail during times of freezing and thawing of roads and trails.

**Do I need to stay on the trail or road?**

Yes. Cross-country motorized vehicle travel is not permitted. You must stay on designated roads and trails. In addition, motorized vehicles are not permitted to travel on closed roads. Closure is usually indicated by one or more of the following: closed gates, tank trap and/or closure signs. Trails are closed to motorized vehicle travel unless they are marked with a sign as open and blazed with the letter “V.”

**What are the Virginia state laws pertaining to OHV use?**

* Operators of motorcycles and ATVs must wear safety helmets.
* Riding double is prohibited.
* People between the ages of 12 and 16 years of age are permitted to operate ATVs of no less than 70cc or more than 90cc.
* People under the age of 12 are not permitted to operate ATVs.

**What other rules must I follow?**

* You must have a valid operator’s license or learner’s permit as required by Virginia state law. You must have a valid vehicle license as required by state law where the vehicle is maintained.
* You cannot ride on any trail not specifically designated for motorized travel.
* You may not travel cross-country—you must stay on designated roads and trails.
* You must have a muffler and spark arrestor on your vehicle and cannot exceed a noise limit of 99 db at 20 inches at test rpm.
* You may not possess alcoholic beverages or operate a vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
* You may not drive in a careless or reckless manner or in a manner which may endanger any person or property.
* ***You are responsible for your own safety. Trail use has inherent risks and you may encounter a variety of unexpected and/or dangerous conditions. It is your responsibility to be informed and take precautions.***