

Michaux ATV Trail

The Michaux ATV trail is open from the Friday before Memorial Day through the last Sunday in September. Some ATV trails reopen for winter use in conjunction with the snowmobile season the 3rd Sunday following Thanksgiving until April 1st, conditions permitting. The trail may also be open for use by snowmobiles during this time. Automobiles, motorcycles, golf carts, dune buggies, trucks, etc. are not permitted on the trail system. At any time during the riding season the trail may be closed when necessary.

The ATV Trail is open to all **Class 1 all-terrain vehicles** (**ATVs**). A Class 1 ATV is defined as:

A motorized off-highway vehicle, which travels on three or more off-highway tires and has a maximum width of 50 inches and a maximum dry weight of 1200 pounds.

Motorized camping is available at both Piney Mountain and Big Flat parking areas. Primitive restrooms are offered at these sites. A free permit is required. Requests for camping permits can be made online at <u>www.dcnr.state.pa.us/forestry</u>. Permits can also be obtained by emailing or phoning the forest district office.

Rules and Regulations

- 1. Abide by the State Forest Rules and Regulations and the ATV Law.
- 2. ATVs must be titled and registered with the DCNR Snowmobile/ATV Registration Section.
- 3. ATVs must be insured. Proof of coverage must be carried by the operator.
- 4. Non-resident registration is accepted under the following conditions:
 - ATVs must display current registration from their home state, province or country.
 - The state, province or country must honor PA ATV registration.
- 5. ATVs are not permitted on state forest roads.
- 6. A DOT approved helmet is required.
- 7. Trail heads are CARRY-IN, CARRY-OUT. Do not discard any trash unless a waste container is provided.
- 8. The operation of a vehicle in a reckless or negligent manner is not permitted.
- Persons under 8 years of age may not operate an ATV on DCNR lands. Operators 8 and 9 years of age are restricted to an engine size of 70cc or less.
- 10. No person from the age of 8 to their 16th birthday shall operate an ATV on state forest land without completing a Department approved ATV safety course. Riders must possess their ATV safety training certificate while operating on state forest land.

ATV Safety Code

- Wear a helmet and eye protection at all times and other protective clothing suitable to the environment when you ride.
- Only carry passengers on ATVs designed for more than one rider.
- Do not let young or inexperienced riders operate ATVs without supervision.
- Do not ride under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Learn proper riding skills from an instructor or qualified rider and practice such skills before riding state forest ATV trails.
- Use the "Buddy" system; ride with others.
- ♦ Obey the laws.
- Do not modify the exhaust system.
- Protect the environment. Do not litter, harass wildlife, or damage plant life.
- Respect the rights of others who use state forest land.
- Stay on trails designated for ATVs.
- Cell service is unreliable along the trail.
- For your safety, equip yourself with the proper gear and check the local weather forecast.



Stay on the marked trail. The trail

has been designated for ATV use and signed with both trail markers and numbered intersections. There are trails not shown on this map which are closed to ATV use. Please be considerate of where you ride. Wandering from the designated ATV trails can cause irreparable damage to sensitive plants and wildlife.

Directions

Piney Mountain Parking Area

1721 Bendersville Rd. Gardners, PA 17324

From Pine Grove Furnace State Park: Take Bendersville Rd. south for approximately 3 miles. ATV parking lot is on the right. **GPS coordinates:** 40.01834, -77.29580

Big Flat Parking Area 1975 Birch Run Rd.

Biglerville, PA 17307

From Caledonia State Park: Head north on PA Route 233 north for 6 miles. Turn left onto Shippensburg Rd. for 1 mile. Parking area is on the left. GPS coordinates: 39.98832, -77.40139

Care for the Land

State forests belong to all Pennsylvanians. Take time to enjoy them, but know the rules and regulations designed to protect the forests and you. Please be careful with fire, keep your forests litter free and don't damage trees or other plants.

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For more information

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The **Michaux ATV Trail** located in Adams and Cumberland Counties offers trails of varying difficulty providing opportunities for riders of all abilities. The trail system is open to Class 1 ATV's and consists of 36 miles of summer trail. During the winter season the trail system is expanded to 41 miles. Trail markers and numbered intersections are posted to guide users along the trail. Please be sure to follow all rules and regulations while enjoying the Michaux ATV Trail.



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