

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §20-17-7

## §20-17-7. Requirements for trail users and prohibited acts; criminal penalties.

- (a) An authority may require recreational users to wear protective helmets or use safety equipment that the authority determines to be appropriate for the recreational activity in which the user is engaged.
- (b) Each trail user operating a bicycle or mountain bicycle shall obey all traffic laws, traffic-control devices, and signs within the recreational area, including those which restrict trails to certain types of bicycles or mountain bicycles.
- (c) Each trail user shall at all times remain within and on a designated and marked trail while within the recreational area.
- (d) A person may not ignite or maintain any fire within the recreational area except in a designated camp site.
- (e) A person may not operate a motor vehicle within the recreational area unless the person is authorized to operate a motor vehicle in the area to perform maintenance services or emergency response.
- (f) A person who violates any provision of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than \$100. Prosecution or conviction for the misdemeanor described in this subsection shall not prevent or disqualify any other civil or criminal remedies for the conduct prohibited by this section.