

Special Activities Permit Agreement
for Use on the Regional Trail Corporation's section the Great Allegheny Passage
(Between Connellsville and McKeesport) for Organized Group Activities

Permits are required for any commercial activities or organized group activities (e.g. fundraising rides, walks etc.) taking place along the Great Allegheny Passage. **Special activities include any event where participants are being charged a fee to participate or with a group larger than 25 participants.** If the event charges a fee but is sponsored by a non-profit organization, it may be exempt from a permit fee.

To request a Permit for an Organized Group Event in the RTC section of the GAP, please fill out the following form, include a \$25 permit application fee for a one-time use, or \$50 for a calendar year permit, and mail to RTC, P.O. Box 95 West Newton, PA 15089.

Please call Leslie Pierce at regionaltrails@comcast.net or 724-872-5586 for availability questions.

Enclose a Certificate of Commercial Liability Insurance, naming the "Regional Trail Corporation" and all entities listed beside the trail sections checked, indicating the location of your activity, as additional insured. Insurance limits are \$1,000,000 each occurrence, \$2,000,000 aggregate. For commercial operators, please enclose a copy of your Workers Compensation certificate. Make checks payable to & mail application to: RTC, P.O. Box 95, West Newton, PA 15089

General Rules and Guidelines

- Trail is open from dawn to dusk
- Maximum speed is 15 mph
- By state law, cyclists under the age of 12 must wear helmets
- No vehicles powered by internal combustion are permitted on the trail, except for maintenance and emergency purposes
- Wheelchairs and similar devices built specifically for mobility disabilities are allowed
- Other power-driven mobility devices, not specifically designed for disabilities, may be used, provided:
 - Motors on electric vehicles are 750 watts or less
 - Devices weigh less than 100 lbs.
 - Device are no more than 35" wide
 - Devices have fully operating pedals
- No fires or camping, except in designated areas
- Consumption of alcohol is prohibited
- Leash and control your pet; please remove pet waste
- Horseback riding is permitted strictly in designated areas and only on the grass, not on the improved trail surface.
- Keep to the right. Pass on the left
- Give an audible signal when passing other trail users
- Stay on the trail and please respect private property
- For emergencies, call 911

ORGANIZED GROUP EVENT PERMIT APPLICATION FOR THE CONNELLSVILLE TO MCKEESPORT
(Regional Trail Corporation) SECTION OF THE GREAT ALLEGHENY PASSAGE

Please request a separate Group Permit form from each trail section, see website for section details.

1. Date(s) of Activity: _____

2. Time(s): _____

3. Event/Group Name: _____

Non-Profit or For Profit

4. Contact Person: _____

5. Contact Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

6. Estimated Number of Participants: _____

7. Please check all areas in which your group will be traveling

- Cumberland, MD to State Line (Allegany County, MD)
- State Line to Confluence, PA (Somerset County, PA)
- Ohiopyle State Park (Contact the park office directly for license agreement)
- Connellsville to McKeesport, PA (Regional Trail Corporation)
- City of McKeesport (City of McKeesport, PA)
- McKeesport to Pittsburgh (Regional Trail Corporation)
- City of Pittsburgh (City of Pittsburgh, PA)

8. Type of Activity: _____

9. Specific Requests or Details (i.e. requests to set up tables, open gates, etc):

PLEASE INCLUDE THE PERMIT APPLICATION FEE: \$25 one-time use \$50 calendar year use

The Permittee hereby agrees to hold the Regional Trail Corporation and its member organizations harmless for any and all claims for damages or injuries to persons or property resulting from the violation of any aforementioned rules, regulations, or ordinances and will be responsible for the group's behavior and/or actions. It is required that groups of minors be provided with sufficient adult supervision.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

(unsigned applications will not be processed)

Enclose a Certificate of Commercial Liability Insurance as stated in paragraph #4 on page 1.
Failing to do so may delay or deny your request.

For commercial operators, please enclose a copy of your Workers Compensation

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