



Motor Vehicle Use Map Cherokee National Forest

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LEGEND
Roads Open to Highway Legal Vehicles Only
Trails Open to Vehicles 50' or Less in Width
Special Vehicle Designation (See Table)
Seasonal Designation (See Table)
Interstate
Other Public Roads
Motorized Trail Access
Forest or Unit Boundary
National Forest System Lands
Non-National Forest System Lands within the National Forest
Wilderness
Lakes and Rivers
Scale: 1.5 0.75 0 1.5 3 4.5 Miles

PURPOSE AND CONTENTS OF THIS MAP
The designations shown on this motor vehicle use map (MVUM) were made by the responsible official pursuant to 36 CFR 212.51, are effective as of the date on the front cover of this MVUM, and will remain in effect until superseded by next year's MVUM.

It is the responsibility of the user to acquire the current MVUM. This MVUM shows the National Forest System roads, National Forest System trails, and the areas on National Forest System lands in the Watauga Ranger District that are designated for motor vehicle use pursuant to 36 CFR 212.51. This MVUM also identifies the vehicle classes allowed on each route and in each area, and any seasonal restrictions that apply on those routes and in those areas.

Designation of a road, trail, or area for motor vehicle use by a particular class of vehicle under 36 CFR 212.51 should not be interpreted as encouraging or inviting use or implying that the road, trail, or area is passable, actively maintained, or safe for travel. Motor vehicle designations include parking along designated routes and at facilities associated with designated routes when it is safe to do so and when not causing damage to National Forest System resources.

This motor vehicle use map identifies those roads, trails, and areas designated for the motor vehicle use under 36 CFR 212.51 for the purpose of enforcing the prohibition at 36 CFR 261.13. This is a limited purpose. The other public roads are shown for information and navigation purposes only and are not subject to designation under the Forest Service travel management regulation.

PROHIBITIONS

It is prohibited to possess or operate a motor vehicle on National Forest System lands on the Watauga Ranger District other than in accordance with these designations (36 CFR 261.13).

Violators of 36 CFR 261.13 are subject to a fine of up to \$5,000, imprisonment for up to 6 months, or both (18 U.S.C. 3571(e)). This prohibition applies regardless of the presence or absence of signs.

This map does not display nonmotorized uses, over-snow vehicle uses, or other facilities and attractions on the Watauga Ranger District. Obtain forest visitor information from the local national forest office.

Designated roads, trails and areas may also be subject to temporary, emergency closures. As a visitor, you must comply with signs notifying you of such restrictions. A national forest may issue an order to close a road, trail or area on a temporary basis to protect the life, health, or safety of forest visitors or the natural or cultural resources in these areas. Such a temporary and/or emergency closure are consistent with the Travel Management Rule (36 CFR 212.52 (b), 36 CFR 261 subpart B).

The designation "road or trail open to all motor vehicles" does not supersede State traffic law.

OPERATOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Operating a motor vehicle on National Forest System roads, National Forest System trails, and in areas on National Forest System lands carries a greater responsibility than operating that vehicle in a city or other developed setting. Not only must you know and follow all applicable traffic laws, you need to show concern for the environment as well as other forest users.

Motor vehicle use, especially off-highway vehicle use, involves inherent risks that may cause property damage, serious injury, and possibly death to participants. Drive cautiously and anticipate rough surfaces and features, such as snow, mud, vegetation, and water crossings common to remote driving conditions.

Much of the Watauga Ranger District is remote. Medical assistance may not be readily available. Cellular telephones do not work in many areas of the Watauga Ranger District. Take adequate food, water, first-aid supplies, and other equipment appropriate for the conditions and expected weather.

ALWAYS REMEMBER TO RESPECT PRIVATE LAND! PROTECT YOUR PRIVILEGE. STAY ON DESIGNATED ROADS AND TRAILS AND IN DESIGNATED AREAS.

Read and understand this map in its entirety. If you have questions, please contact the Watauga Ranger District for clarification.

As a motor vehicle operator on a National Forest System road, trail, or area you must comply with this map, as well as all Federal, State, and local laws and regulations. Compliance with these rules is your responsibility.

EXPLANATION OF LEGEND ITEMS

Roads Open to Highway Legal Vehicles Only: These roads are open only to motor vehicles licensed under State law for general operation on all public roads within the state.

Trails Open to Vehicles 50' or Less in Width: These trails are open only to motor vehicles less than 50 inches in width at the widest point on the vehicle.

Special Vehicle Designation: This symbol indicates the road or trail is open to classes of vehicles other than those listed above. Refer to the Seasonal and Special Designation Table for further instructions.

Seasonal Designation: This symbol, used in conjunction with one of the other road or trail symbols, indicates that the road or trail is open only during certain portions of the year. Refer to the Seasonal and Special Designation Table for further instructions.

Motorized Trail Access: This symbol indicates a trailhead for access to a motorized route. Not all motorized routes have trailheads and those that do may range from primitive to developed.

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