13) SCTA TRAIL USE POLICY Approved 2-18-2023

Our direct access points to the BSFNRRA provide reciprocal entry and exit to the Park for horseback riders and hikers. To minimize problems/confusion, we strive to align the use of the trails/trailheads owned and or maintained by the SCTA as closely as possible with those of the adjacent Big South Fork River and Recreational Area safety zones and Tennessee Law, subject to applicable fines & punishments.

ALL ANIMALS: DOGS ,PETS & LIVESTOCK: TN Code § 44-8-408 (2021**)**

Dogs are not permitted to run at large. It is recommended they be restrained on no longer than a 6 foot leash for controllability & safety of the handler as well as others who they may encounter.

Allowing dogs to run at large (tramming) while on horseback is prohibited.

LIVESTOCK: TN Code § 44-8-401 (2021)

It is unlawful for the owners of any livestock, as defined in § 43-1-114, to willfully allow the livestock to run at large in this state. "Livestock" means all equines (horses, donkeys, mules) as well as animals that are being raised primarily for use as food or fiber for human utilization or consumption including, but not limited to, cattle, sheep, swine, goats, and poultry.

All animals & livestock must be restrained while on SCTA trails and remain in a controlled and behaved manner by the handler to ensure safety of handler and others.

FIREARMS: TN Codes (various 2022)

Tennessee law does not require a permit for those who may legally possess firearms under all applicable state, local, and federal firearms laws. It is the responsibility of individuals to understand and comply with all applicable laws.

Rifles/long guns must be unloaded while on horseback.

No Hunting/shooting of firearms on trails or while on horseback.

MOTORIZED VEHICLES, BICYCLES, CARTS/WAGONS:

Motorized Vehicles: (such as trucks/tractors/ATV's/golf carts, dirt bikes etc.) are not allowed on the trails, except for authorized maintenance and emergencies.

Bicycles are not allowed on the trails.

With the appropriate signage as required by the state, equine drawn carts and wagons may be driven on roads in TN. However, as our trails are not wide enough for safe passage or turnaround, equine drawn carts/wagons are not allowed on the trails.

TRAIL MAINTENANCE:

"Trail Work Ahead" signs will be posted whenever possible to alert users of equipment usage and detours.