

MAUNA KEA ATV/DIRT BIKE RIDING AREA

Nā Ala Hele Trails and Access Program · Division of Forestry and Wildlife

The Mauna Kea ATV/Dirt Bike Riding Area includes two roads within the Mauna Kea Forest Reserve and Ka'ohe Game Management Area (R1 and R10). The Nā Ala Hele Trails and Access Program manages these two roads as the Pu'u Lā'au Road (R1) and Mauna Kea Access Road (R1), and Skyline Road (R10) as noted on the attached map.

These roads offer some of the most spectacular views in the state in a unique high-elevation subalpine māmane forest, home to the endangered forest bird, the palila. You must ride only on these roads and may park within twenty feet of these roads, but are not allowed to ride on any side roads or trails. It is your responsibility to know the areas open to riding and a missing sign will not relieve you of this responsibility.

WHERE TO RIDE		
Vehicle	Riding Permit Required	Where to Ride
Non-Licensed (ATV, Dirt Bikes, Dune Buggies, etc.)	Yes	Roads R-1 and R-10 Only
Licensed (Dirt Bikes)	No	Any Established Forest Road
Licensed (4x4 Automobile)	No	Any Established Forest Road
Licensed & Non- Licensed with Valid Hunting License	No	Any Established Forest Road

REQUIRED TO RIDE

You are required to obtain a permit and complete a liability waiver agreement available at the Division of Forestry and Wildlife in Hilo at 19 E. Kawili Street (974-4221), and in Waimea at 66-1220A Lālāmilo Road (887-6063). These are You must carry the permit with you when riding. Any person in possession of a hunting license and who is actually hunting does not require a permit or waiver.

SAFETY AND RESPONSIBILITY

USE CAUTION-This is a multi-use area that is shared by hikers, hunters and other outdoor enthusiasts. Please be aware of the following:

- The area is open to hunting daily.
- Riders are recommended to wear blazeorange outer garments.
- Hunters may be with dogs.
- Mountain bikes may be sharing the road.
- Hikers and birders may be on the road.
- Other ATV and Dirt Bike users of all levels are on the road.

- ✓ All off-highway vehicles (OHV) must be equipped with a USFS approved spark arrestor. Loud bikes and ATV's are causing loss of riding areas nationwide and we support the California OHV sound limit of 98 decibels.
- ✓ It is unlawful to operate an OHV under the influence of drugs or alcohol or in a manner that endangers the safety of others.
- ✓ It is recommended that all riders/operators of Non-Licensed Vehicle, ATV, Motorcycle, Dune Buggies, etc. while on roads R1 and R10 wear bright colored clothing.
- ✓ It is *mandatory* that you sign in and out at one of the Hunter Check Stations at Kilohana or Pu'u Huluhulu. Occasionally due to forest fires and animal control operations closures will be posted at these check stations.

All permits are subject to denial, cancellation, or termination at any time by the board or its authorized representatives upon violation of these rules or any conditions of the permit or any federal, state, or county statutes, ordinances, and rules or from danger to the public or because of natural causes.

RECOMMENDED RIDING PREPARENESS

Before starting out, tell a responsible person where you will be and when to expect you back. Inform that person to obtain help if you do not return on time.

As part of riding responsibly, you should consider taking and using the following:

- First aid kit
- Cell phone
- Drinking water
- Sunscreen
- Extra fuel
- Map of the area

It's strongly recommended for your protection, that the following items be worn at all times during the operation of your vehicle:

- DOT and SNELL approved helmet
- Goggles
- Protective clothing (long sleeve shirt & pants)
- Boots over the ankles
- Chest protector
- Shoulder guards
- Knee and elbow pads
- Gloves.

IN AN EMERGENCY

LOST PERSON

If a member of your party becomes lost, don't panic. Make a note of where the person was last seen and at what time. *Call 911 immediately*.

INJURED PERSON

It is usually best not to transport an injured person away from an accident scene before medical personnel arrive. Moving them improperly can make an injury worse, particularly when the injury is to the head, neck, or back areas. Call 911 immediately.

TELEPHONE

Emergency: 911

Div. of Forestry & Wildlife: 974-4221 DOCARE (Enforcement): 643-3567

