

rules to ride by....

As riders, take some responsibility and use common sense.

We must be aware of and respect the end user groups and reduce our impact environmentally as much as possible.

- When using gates always leave them as you found them.
- The Ranchers, Loggers and other Leaseholders pay money to lease areas of Public Land. Respect that fact and take responsibility for your use of all areas we share.
- Avoid livestock (*slow right down and detour way around*). Stay off of all grasslands, and away from watering areas and salt licks. ***Did you know that in the first month or so of Cows and Calves being turned out to range (late April, May), that it is a critical time for these animals?*** The range is new to them and being stressed by us riding nearby can separate calf from mother resulting in hardship for both livestock and rancher.
- If you are part of a large group of riders, break up into smaller groups and spread out (Leave in twenty-minute intervals).
- Knapweed Alert! Always wash your bikes and vehicles after every ride so we do not transfer seeds of noxious weeds from one region to another.
- Take the time to clean up any garbage left behind by anyone (garbage in garbage out).
- Be conscious of forest fire dangers. Choose to ride in a environmentally less sensitive area, for example older logging roads and cow trails through the forest are a lot less prone to erosion than fields and hillsides of grass (if it's not a trail don't ride there).
- By educating our fellow riders and following some simple rules, there can be a positive and economic benefit achieved by all user groups.
- Safety first. Having fun on your Dirt Bike/Mountain Bike/ATV, starts with the proper equipment.
 - Personal gear (minimum) A good helmet, riding boots, goggles, gloves, kneepads and tough clothing.
 - Keep a basically well-maintained machine; ensure all controls are free and smooth.
Are your brakes and tires are in good condition? Get the shop to have a look over your ride.
- Never ride alone, and always leave directions to what area you and your buddy are going to ride in.
- Never ride impaired (mentally or physically). Always carry some water, snacks and tools.
- Show consideration to all other user groups in the area. This means give the right of way to people on foot or horseback and attention to animals (wildlife, horses and cows.)
- Never ride on private property without consent.
- Respect all grasslands and dry sensitive areas (ride somewhere else).
- Never ride faster than how far you can see ahead.
- Stop and move, or mark dangerous obstacles for your fellow trail users.

Have fun meeting new people and riding!