

ASSABET RIVER RAIL TRAIL RULES AND REGULATIONS

- No motorized vehicles are allowed except for power driven mobility devices used by individuals with mobility disabilities.
- No person shall enter onto private property from the trail.
- Trail users shall keep to the right and when stopping, not block the bicycle path.
- Individuals or groups have a right to travel in ONE lane. Please do not span across both lanes when in a group and exercise courtesy when someone signals to pass.
- Faster users must yield to slower users and pass into the oncoming lane only when it is safe to do so.
- When passing, trail users shall alert others with an audible signal, either by bell, horn, or voice indicating you will be passing on the left.
- Trail users shall stop at all intersections and obey all regulatory signs.
- Dismount and walk bike across intersections.
- *According to all Massachusetts Law: any person twelve years of age or younger operating a bicycle or being carried as a passenger on a bicycle shall wear a helmet that fits the head and be secured to the person's head by straps. The helmet should meet the standards established by the American National Standards Institute.
- *According to Massachusetts Law: the operator shall not transport another
- person between the ages of one to four years or 40 pounds or less on a bicycle except in a baby seat.
- *According to Massachusetts Law: the operator shall not transport any person under the age of one year old on a bicycle.
- It is strongly recommended that children over 12 and adults wear a helmet.
- Dogs must be restrained by a short leash and waste disposed of in a sanitary manner. The Town of Hudson does have a leash law and pooper scooper laws**.
- Carry out any trash that you carry in.
- No Graffiti. All persons caught defacing the trail will be punishable to the full extent of the law.

For a full description of laws, rules and regulations please refer to:

*General Law of Massachusetts: refer to Chapter 85: Section 11B Bicycles; operations and equipment; regulations; federal product safety standards, effect; races; violations; penalties.

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