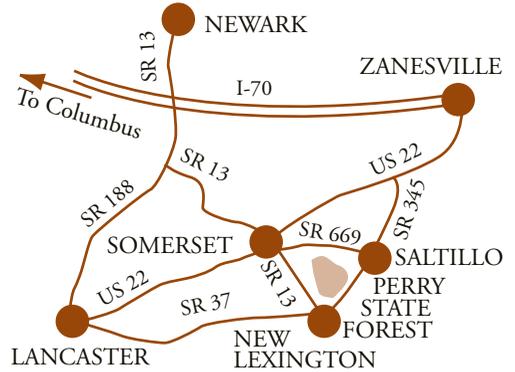


PERRY

STATE FOREST

APV AREA

Location



Additional Information

Perry State Forest APV Area
*physical address for driving directions
(not a mailing address):*
5865 Township Road 154 NE
New Lexington, Ohio 43764



Administrative Office:
Hocking State Forest
19275 State Route 374
Rockbridge, OH 43149-9749
(877) 247-TREE
forestry.ohiodnr.gov

Emergencies

Call 911
Perry County Sheriff (740) 342-4123



Welcome to Perry State Forest

Whether you come to Perry to ride APVs (all-purpose vehicles), go horseback riding, hunt or just visit, you will have an enjoyable state forest experience. Much of Perry State Forest was strip mined for coal prior to existing reclamation law, resulting in very rugged, sometimes barren terrain. Since the state acquired the area in 1961, some reclamation has been accomplished, including a large area along CR 48. Several reforestation and test tree plantings have been established on the forest.

The Perry APV area is one of the most popular public riding areas in Ohio. Sixteen miles of challenging trails are open. Picnic tables and latrines are provided at the parking area. Perry State Forest also has a very scenic, day-use bridle trail system (see State Forest map). Parking for horse trailer rigs is provided along County Road 48. The Miles Lake water is suitable for horses.

The diversity of forest cover encourages a variety of wildlife species and hunting opportunities on Perry State Forest.

Thank you for visiting this unique state forest. Perry State Forest is managed by the Ohio Division of Forestry as an example of sustainable conservation practices. Visit forestry.ohiodnr.gov to learn more about state forests or contact the Division of Forestry toll free at 877-247-8733.

All Purpose Vehicle Area Frequently Asked Questions

When is the area open?

The area is open to riding from one-half hour before sunrise until one-half hour after sunset from April 1st until November 30th each year. The area is closed from December 1st until March 31st.

What are the rules and regulations for Perry State Forest?

You will need to follow all the forest rules. The Division of Forestry's general visitation guidelines can be found at: forestry.ohiodnr.gov/recreation

What are the specific rules and regulations for the riding area?

1. Trail bikes, motorcycles, mountain bikes and all-terrain vehicles are the only vehicles permitted in the designated area. Each vehicle shall display a valid APV or highway license. You should bring a copy of your registration with you. (TIP: Put it in a waterproof bag and store it under your seat with your tool kit.)
2. APVs shall be operated only within the designated area.
3. No person shall operate an APV having a width greater than 62 inches.
4. The APV area is open for riding from one-half hour before sunrise until one-half hour after sunset. All transport vehicles and trailers should be parked in the designated parking area for safety.
5. Maximum speed limits are 10 mph in the parking area and 25 mph on the trails. At no time shall an APV be operated at a speed greater than that necessary to stop the vehicle in the assured clear distance.

6. All operators shall wear protective headgear and eye protection.
7. All operators shall have a valid, current motor vehicle operator's license, except that minors less than 16 years of age may operate an APV if they are accompanied by a licensed parent or guardian 18 years of age or older.
8. All vehicles shall be equipped with adequate brakes, mufflers, and spark arrestors.
9. No person who is under the influence of alcohol or drugs of abuse shall operate an APV.
10. No person shall operate an APV in such a manner as to willfully damage or destroy vegetation and trails, or for the purpose of chasing, capturing, or killing wildlife.
11. Operators of APVs shall not carry or transport any firearms or other weapons that are not unloaded and securely encased.
12. No APV shall be used to carry more passengers than the vehicle was designed to carry.
13. No races or contests are permitted in the APV area.
14. Operators must report any accidents to the officer in charge or to the forest headquarters (740-385-4402 Ext 100) within 24 hours. This is in addition to the reports necessary to be made to the local law enforcement authorities.
15. No APVs are to be ridden on any roadway except that they may cross the road at right angles.

Can I camp at Perry State Forest?

There is no camping available. You can check out several of the State Parks for camping. The closest are Blue Rock, Burr Oak, and Buckeye Lake. All are approximately 25-30 miles from the riding area.

What about other lodging?

There are several hotels around New Lexington and Zanesville.

What vehicles are allowed on the APV area?

You can ride 3-wheelers, 4-wheelers, trail bikes (dual sport, motocross, etc.) and mountain bikes. No vehicle can be wider than 50 inches. 4-wheel drive trucks, jeeps, and the like are not allowed.

Can my children ride with me?

Children less than 16 years of age may operate an APV if they are accompanied by a licensed parent or guardian 18 years of age or older.

Do I need a driver's license?

You need a valid driver's license to be able to ride there. You do have to have your machine registered.

How do I get my APV registered?

You need to get a registration from the Bureau of Motor Vehicles. In order to get it, you must have a title. You should have a title if you purchased your vehicle after July 1, 1999. Dealers are required to provide you with a title if you purchased your APV after July 1, 1999.

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DESIGNATED APV AREA

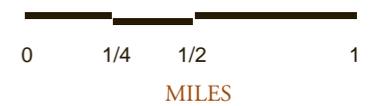


LEGEND

- State Highway
- County (C) or Township (T) Road
- State Forest Road
- APV Area
- Pond
- APV Trail 1–Blue
- APV Trail 2–Red
- APV Trail 3–White
- APV Trail 4–Orange
- APV Trail 5–Orange
- APV Trail 6–Blue
- APV Trail 7–Red
- APV Trail 8–White
- All APV Trails are Two Way
- Latrine
- Parking
- Private Land



SCALE



State forest ownership shown is representative and believed to be correct but not warranted. State forest boundary lines on the ground are identified with signs and/or yellow paint marks on trees.

Map reviewed and approved by Robert Boyles, Chief,
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