

TRUMBULL COUNTY METROPARKS
Western Reserve Greenway
BIKE PATROL GUIDELINES

PURPOSE OF THE BIKE PATROL – The Trumbull County MetroParks relies on members of the Western Reserve Greenway Bike Patrol to monitor the Greenway, report problems and assist Greenway users. It is **not** a law-enforcement agency.

REQUIREMENTS OF BIKE PATROL MEMBERS

- Members are at least 18 years of age and sign a liability release in order to participate. **The release gives permission to the MetroParks board to conduct background checks through law enforcement agencies.**
- Members provide their own bicycles and ride at least four hours each month, weather permitting.
- Members abide by traffic laws and regulations and practice courtesy and safety at all times. Members are encouraged to wear bicycle helmets.
- Members carry personal cell phones, when possible.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF BIKE PATROL MEMBERS

- During each Bike Patrol shift, members stop frequently to interact with trail users and answer questions. Members carry copies of the *Greenway Trail Map* and mileage chart to distribute.
- Members represent the Trumbull County MetroParks and are expected to be polite to all Greenway visitors.
- Members provide assistance to trail users, within the scope of their abilities.
- Members report emergencies by phoning **9-1-1**.
- Members report accidents, illegal/inappropriate trail usage, and maintenance requirements by submitting an *Incident Report* for each situation. E-mail Zach Svette at Zachary.Svette@trumbullmetroparks.org or phone 330-675-3072.
- Members explain inappropriate Greenway use to those:
 - Operating unauthorized motorized vehicles (four-wheelers, motorcycles, automobiles)
 - Riding/Driving horses on paved surfaces
 - Parking illegally
 - Littering
 - Acting in ways that could be dangerous to other trail users
- Members record their hours of service at the end of each shift. A log is available at <http://metroparks.co.trumbull.oh.us/About/Documents.htm>.

CONTACT NUMBERS

- Emergencies: **9-1-1 (for police, fire, emergency rescue)**
- Trumbull County Police Dispatch: 330-675-2730
- Trumbull County MetroParks Secretary: 330-675-2480 (Mitzi Sabella)
- Trumbull County MetroParks Bike Patrol Coordinator: 330-675-3072 (Zach Svette)