



Montana Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Resident Trail Pass FAQ HB 355 - 2019 Legislative Session

1. What is the Resident OHV Trail Pass?

- ✓ In 2019, the Montana Legislature passed HB 355 creating a Resident Trail Pass for OHVs. The Resident OHV Trail Pass is required on all public lands where Montana residents ride OHVs on designated motorized routes and trails. Resident OHV Trail Passes are required starting January 1, 2020.

2. What is the cost of the Resident OHV Trail Pass and how long is it valid?

- ✓ The Resident OHV Trail Pass cost is \$20. The pass is valid for up to two calendar years, expiring on December 31st of the second year. For example, if you buy a pass March 1, 2020, it will expire December 31, 2021.

3. Can I save money when I purchase an OHV and permanently register it?

- ✓ Yes. If a Montana resident purchases a Resident OHV Trail Pass first and presents it to their County Treasurer's Office (DMV) while permanently registering their OHV, they are eligible for a reduction of \$20 toward the cost of their permanent OHV registration.

4. Who must purchase a Resident OHV Trail Pass?

- ✓ Montana residents who operate OHVs on any Off-Highway Vehicle designated route or trail are required to purchase the Resident OHV Trail Pass. The Resident OHV Trail Pass decal must be attached and readily visible on their machine.

5. Besides the Resident OHV Trail Pass, what else does a Montana resident need to ride legally?

- ✓ A Montana resident must have a permanent registration sticker which is available through their County Treasurer's office (DMV), along with the new Resident Trail Pass decal on their OHV.

6. What do Non-Residents need to ride their OHV in Montana?

- ✓ Non-Residents are required to purchase an annual **Non-Resident Temporary Use Permit** costing \$35 to ride in Montana. The permits are available at <http://stateparks.mt.gov/recreation/ohvProgram.html>

7. Where can you purchase Resident OHV Trail Passes and Non-Resident Temporary Use Permits?

- ✓ Resident Trail Passes and Non-Resident Temporary Use Permits can be purchased from many local vendors or online at <http://stateparks.mt.gov/recreation/ohvProgram.html>

8. What will the revenues from the Resident OHV Trail Pass be used for?

- ✓ The revenues from each Resident OHV Trail Pass will be utilized to maintain and improve designated OHV routes and trails on public lands in Montana. The funds will be distributed through a grant program beginning in the fall of 2020.