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The Trail Users Code



Wales is criss-crossed by a network of paths, tracks and unpaved roads. These trails will take you from your front door to the most remote parts of the countryside and are used regularly for work, rest and play. Whether you're travelling by wheel, heel or hoof - love being outside, and remember:

- 1. Share the space, drop your pace respect other trail users especially those who are less able.
- Wheel, Heel, Hoof bikes and motor vehicles should give way to walkers and everyone should pass horse riders and horse-drawn vehicles wide and slow, making their presence known.
- 3. Stay safe be seen, be heard, be aware.
- 4. Follow defined routes, way-markers or maps.
- 5. Don't cause erosion or damage by leaving the trail.
- 6. Enjoy nature but be careful not to disturb wildlife.

- 7. Leave gates as you find them and leave no trace of your visit.
- 8. Keep dogs under effective control and take the safest route around farm animals, especially if they are with young animals.
- Be mindful of man-made hazards and machinery – obey warning signs at all times.
- 10. Organisers should notify landowners of large group activities or events.



Always know where you can go:

The table below shows the kinds of access generally allowed on different types of paths, tracks and unpaved roads. However, it is important to keep in mind that some paths may carry local restrictions or even have sections that welcome other users. It is also important to remember that a legal right or permission does not necessarily mean that the trail will be in a suitable condition for all users.

Trail Type Symbol Type of access you can expect

Public Footpaths		x 6
Welsh National Trails	ļ	× 5
Open Access Land		× 5
Canal Towpaths		× 5. 000
Public Bridleways		* & **
Restricted Byways		K & M M
Byways Open to All Traffic		* 5 * * * * = *
Unclassified roads		1 5. 50 1 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50
Permissive		Permissive trails are created for

specific users and are defined locally

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