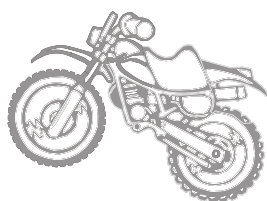




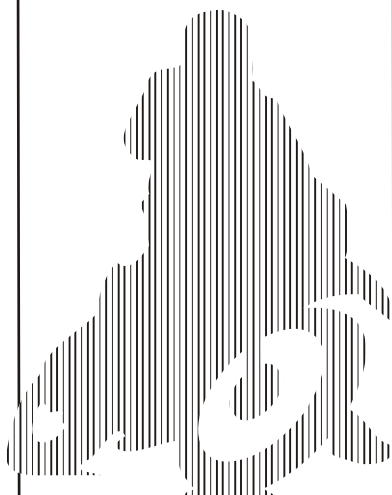
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Horseshoe and Holton Motorcycle Trails

*It is the policy of the Huron-Manistee National Forests that all Forest lands are **closed unless posted open** to off-road vehicles. Motorized vehicles that are licensed as ORVs can only operate on trails, roads, and areas which are designated and signed for their use. All National Forest roads are open to "street legal" vehicles, unless they are posted closed or blocked with a dirt mound, brush pile, or other type of barrier. Motorized trails are only designed for use by vehicles less than 50" wide.*

The Horseshoe and Holton Motorcycle Trails provide 58 miles of single-track motorcycle-only trail which crosses forest, county, and state roads, so attention to **STOP** and **CAUTION** signs is important. A portion of each system utilizes some county roads and those loops are only open to street-legal motorcycles. The terrain ranges from flat to rolling sandy soils. Vegetation is mostly oak forests with sparse grass and fern understory.

The trails are located in the southeast part of Oceana County and the northeast part of Muskegon County, Michigan. They are within 10 road miles from Fremont, Hesperia, and Holton. The parking areas are located at the intersection of McKinley and 184th Avenue., and on Brunswick Road. east of Blue Lake Road.

Most of the system is single-track trail, however approximately half of each system utilizes a segment of county road to connect to National

Forest lands. These loops require both a Michigan Secretary of State **STREET LEGAL license** and a **DNR off-road vehicle sticker**.

Access:

Horseshoe Trailhead:

From Fremont: Take Hwy M-82 west to Hwy M-120. Continue west on Skeels Road 3 miles, then north on 184th Ave. 2 miles to the trailhead.

From Hesperia: Take Hwy M-120 south 1 mile, then west on Garfield 1 ¼ miles. Turn south on 194th for 1 ¾ miles, then west on White Street 1 mile, and south on 184th 2 ½ miles to the trailhead.

From Muskegon: Go 3 miles north on US 31 to east M-120. Travel 9 miles northeast on M-120 to Holton then north 5 miles on Holton-Duck Lake Road. Turn west on Roosevelt Road for 1 mile to 184th Ave. Turn north on 184th Ave. 1 ½ miles to the trailhead.

Holton Trailhead:

From Fremont or Hesperia: Take Hwy M-120 south to Skeels Rd. Turn west on Skeels Road for 3 miles,

Then south on 184th Ave. For 2 miles. Turn west on Brunswick 2 ¾ miles to the trailhead.

From Muskegon: Go north on US 31 to Holton-Whitehall Rd. Turn east and continue 7.5 miles to Blue Lake Rd. Turn north 2 miles to Brunswick Rd. Turn east 1 ¾ miles to the trailhead.

Considerations:

- **ATVs are not permitted on this trail system.** Travel only on trails designated for the type of ORV you are operating. This trail system is 40" wide.
- Operator and vehicle must meet all applicable State and vehicle operator requirements.
- All ORVs must have, in good working condition and in constant use, a muffler which will meet or exceed all sound emission standards set by state law. Exhaust noise shall not exceed 99Dd(A) or 94Db(A) on vehicles manufactured after Jan. 1, 1982 when tested according to the provisions of the SAE J1287, June 86 test. All motorcycles must be equipped with an appropriate manufacturer's muffler and U.S. Forest Service approved spark arrestor.
- Motorcycles are not allowed on County, Forest, or two-track roads unless they have a license plate.

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They have a license plate.

- Gas and public phones are available in Fremont, Hesperia, and Holton. In addition, mechanical services and towing are available in Twin lake and Fremont.
- The recommended season of use is from March 15 to November 15, trail conditions permitting.
- It is prohibited to operate a vehicle in a manner which damages or unreasonably disturbs the land, wildlife, or vegetation. Violations are punishable by a fine of up to \$500.
- You can help maintain good riding conditions on the trail by slowing your speed, thus preventing any "whoops" from occurring.

Display of License:

It is unlawful to operate an ORV without having a valid license permanently attached and visibly displayed on the vehicle in the following manner:

- on a 2-wheeled vehicle, centered on exposed rear fender.

TREAD LIGHTLY! Principles:

- Travel only where motorized vehicles are permitted.
- Respect the rights of hikers, skiers, campers, and others to enjoy their activities undisturbed.

- Educate yourself by obtaining travel maps and regulations from public agencies, by complying with signs and barriers, and by asking owners' permission to cross private property.
- Avoid streams, lakeshores, meadows, muddy roads and trails, steep hillsides, wildlife, and livestock.
- Drive responsibly to protect the environment and to preserve opportunities to enjoy your vehicle on public lands.
- Avoid running over or damaging young trees, shrubs, and grasses.
- Resist the urge to pioneer a new road or trail, or to cut across a switchback. Cross country operation is unlawful.
- Obey gate closures and regulatory signs. Vandalism costs tax dollars and reduces trail riding opportunities.
- Thumbs down on sound! Loud noise in the forest setting is offensive to others. Maintain your muffler.

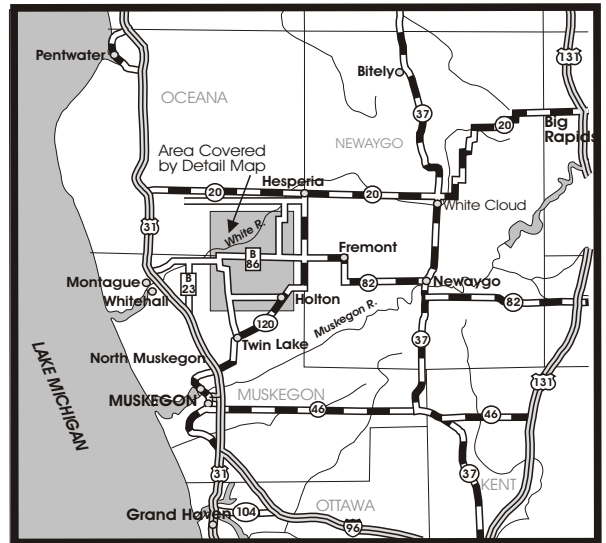
Remember:

Riding off trail is illegal.

It results in:

- A Violation Notice being issued.
- Complaints from private landowners in the area.
- Resource damage to public roads and lands.
- Potential loss of this trail.

Please Stay on the Trail!



Safety Education and Training:

For information on ORV training opportunities in your local area, call the DNR at 1-517-335-3414 or the Cycle Conservation Club at 1-517-781-4805.

- All operators below the age of 16 are required to have an ORV safety certificate on his or her person when riding.

In Case of Emergency:

Muskegon Co. Sheriff:

1-231-724-4717.

Oceana County Sheriff:

1-231-873-2121

Michigan State Police: Hart

1-231-873-2171.

Manistee National Forest website:

www.fs.fed.us/r9/hmindex.htm

DNR website:

www.dnr.state.mi.us

CCC website:

www.cycleconservationclub.org

CONFIDENCE TRAIL MARKERS



Single Track Trail marker - blaze orange.



County Road Trail sections - blaze orange

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