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**Memberships**  
 Youth < 19 \$15  
 Adult \$30  
 Contributing \$50 or more  
 Family \$75  
 Join IMBA at the same time \$20 (optional)  
 Make your cheque payable to the DMBA  
 And send it to:  
 DMBA  
 PO Box 143  
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**DMBA is an IMBA affiliated club and we follow the IMBA rules of the Trail.**

**We expect all our members to follow these rules as well.**

### Rules of the Trail

The way we ride today shapes mountain bike trail access tomorrow. Do your part to preserve and enhance our sport's access and image by observing the following rules of the trail, formulated by IMBA, the International Mountain Bicycling Association. These rules are recognized around the world as the standard code of conduct for mountain bikers. IMBA's mission is to promote mountain bicycling that is environmentally sound and socially responsible.

**1. Ride On Open Trails Only.**

Respect trail and road closures (ask if uncertain); avoid trespassing on private land; obtain permits or other authorization as may be required. Federal and state Wilderness areas are closed to cycling. The way you ride will influence trail management decisions and policies.

**2. Leave No Trace.**

Be sensitive to the dirt beneath you. Recognize different types of soils and trail construction; practice low-impact cycling. Wet and muddy trails are more vulnerable to damage. When the trail-bed is soft, consider other riding options. This also means staying on existing trails and not creating new ones. Don't cut switchbacks. Be sure to pack out at least as much as you pack in.

**3. Control Your Bicycle!**

Inattention for even a second can cause problems. Obey all bicycle speed regulations and recommendations.

**4. Always Yield Trail.**

Let your fellow trail users know you're coming. A friendly greeting or bell is considerate and works well; don't startle others. Show your respect when passing by slowing to a walking pace or even stopping. Anticipate other trail users around corners or in blind spots. Yielding means slow down, establish communication, be prepared to stop if necessary and pass safely.

**5. Never Scare Animals.**

All animals are startled by an unannounced approach, a sudden movement, or a loud noise. This can be dangerous for you, others, and the animals. Give animals extra room and time to adjust to you. When passing horses use special care and follow directions from the horseback riders (ask if uncertain). Running cattle and disturbing wildlife is a serious offense. Leave gates as you found them, or as marked.

**6. Plan Ahead.**

Know your equipment, your ability, and the area in which you are riding -- and prepare accordingly. Be self-sufficient at all times, keep your equipment in good repair, and carry necessary supplies for changes in weather or other conditions. A well-executed trip is a satisfaction to you and not a burden to others. Always wear a helmet and appropriate safety gear.

Keep trails open by setting a good example of environmentally sound and socially responsible off-road cycling.

### ACCIDENT WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

I acknowledge that mountain biking is an extreme test of a person's physical and mental limits and carries with it the potential for death, serious injury and property loss. The risks include, but are not limited to, those caused by terrain, facilities, temperature, weather, condition of athletes, equipment, vehicular traffic, actions of other people including, but not limited to, participants, volunteers, spectators, coaches, event officials, and event monitors, and/or producers of the event, and lack of hydration. These risks are not only inherent to athletics, but are also present for volunteers. I hereby assume all of the risks of participating and/or volunteering in any event, program, race, or activities organized, operated, conducted or sanctioned by the Durham Mountain Bicycling Association ("DMBA"). I realize that liability may arise from negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons or entities being released, from dangerous or defective equipment or property owned, maintained or controlled by them or because of their possible liability without fault.

I certify that I am physically fit, have sufficiently trained for participation in the event and have not been advised otherwise by a qualified medical person.

In consideration of my application and permitting me to participate in any DMBA event, program, race, or activities I hereby take action for myself, my executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, successors,

and assigns as follows: (A) Waive, Release and Discharge from any and all liability for my death, disability, personal injury, property damage, property theft or actions of any kind which may hereafter accrue to me including my traveling to and from this event, The DMBA, their directors, officers, employees, volunteers, representatives, and agents, the event holders, event sponsors, event volunteers; (B) Indemnify and Hold Harmless the entities or persons mentioned in this paragraph from any and all liabilities or claims made as a result of participation in this event, whether cause by the negligence of releasees or otherwise.

I hereby consent to receive medical treatment that may be deemed advisable in the event of injury, accident, and/or illness during this event.

I understand that at this event or related activities, I may be photographed. I agree to allow my photo, video or film, likeness to be used for any legitimate purpose by the DMBA, event holders, producers, sponsors, organizers and assigns.

The Accident Waiver and Release of Liability shall be construed broadly to provide a release and waiver to the maximum extent permissible under applicable law.

I hereby certify that I have read this document; and, I understand it's content.

Participant's Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 (If under 18 years old Parent or guardian must also sign)

**PARENT OR GUARDIAN WAIVER FOR MINORS (Under 18 years old)**

The undersigned parent and natural guardian does hereby represent that he/she is, in fact, acting in such capacity and agrees to save and hold harmless and indemnify each and all of the parties referred to above from all liability, loss, cost, claim or damage whatsoever which may be imposed upon said parties because of any defect in or lack of such capacity to so act and release said parties on behalf of the minor and the parents or legal guardian.

Signature of Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_