Rider Park User Guidelines and Rules

Thanks to the generosity of Thomas J. Rider this land allows public access for recreational use. The following rules and regulations govern the use of Rider Park.

1. Use – Visitors are permitted to use Rider Park for recreational purposes only, unless a permit for a special event, research or academic project is obtained in compliance with these Rules. Recreational use shall be confined to existing roads, picnic areas, trails and paths within Rider Park. Visitors are required to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations when using Rider Park.

2. Hours – Park is normally open from dawn to dusk.

3. Cars and motorized vehicles are restricted to the main access road and designated parking areas. Parking is only permitted in designated areas, do not block gates. Access must be available for emergency and authorized vehicles.

4. Prohibited on the Rider Park property, including access roads and parking area are:

- Hunting and trapping
- Firearms and other weapons
- Alcoholic beverages and controlled substances
- ATV's, snowmobiles and motorized recreational vehicles
- Motorcycles, except in permitted parking areas and roads

- Horses and equestrian activities
- Cutting of trees and removal of vegetation
- Overnight camping
- Open fires
- Unleashed Dogs
- Feeding wildlife
- Unauthorized use of wildlife and motion detection cameras

Trailers

5. Bicycle riders are required to yield to hikers on the trail and protect trails from damage. Bicyclists are required to avoid wet or muddy areas and skidding.

6. Park management reserves the right to close Rider Park and/or restrict activities and uses within the Park from time to time as determined by Rider Park management.

7. Park users must observe a strict "carry in – carry out" policy. Trash receptacles are not provided. Leaving food unsecured in a manner that makes it available to wildlife is prohibited.

8. Rider Park management must approve any special event, research and/or academic project in the Park. Permits are required for the use of wildlife and motion detection cameras, collecting wildlife census data and wildlife habitat management activities. Permit applications can be obtained by contacting the First Community Foundation Partnership of PA.

9. Group functions require the approval of the Rider Park Manager. Proof of valid liability insurance coverage may be required.

10. Persons using Rider Park do so at their own risk and assume full and sole responsibility for their personal safety and property. By entering Rider Park, users agree that the owner of Rider Park and its affiliates, and its and their employees and agents are not responsible for personal injury or property damage and agree to release them, and each of them, of and from any and all claims, losses or damages arising out of the use of Rider Park, howsoever caused.

For more information, please call 570-321-1500 or visit www.riderpark.org

