



Trail Accessibility Guide

Programs and Events

The MetroParks will make every effort, with two weeks advance notice, to provide reasonable accommodations so that people with disabilities may participate in special events and educational programs.

People with disabilities needing special accommodations for the accessibility of programs should contact the MetroParks at 513.867.5835.

Trails

The MetroParks provides the opportunity for individuals with mobility disabilities to use their power-driven mobility devices on select trails. Please refer to the Trail Accessibility Guide below.

The Trail Accessibility Guide and Other Power-Driven Mobility Devices (OPDMD) policy will be available on the MetroParks of Butler County website, and also available for explanation by staff answering the phone at the main office. The levels used for accessibility determination are as follows:

- Level 1** Considered fully accessible and meets architectural standards for handicapped accessibility. Level 1 sites include visitor centers, snack bars, restrooms, picnic areas and paved trails.
- Level 2** Usable to some disabled persons but may include inconveniences.
- Level 3** Difficult to use by disabled persons and inaccessible to some disabled persons; assistance will likely be required. These sites include facilities that are located in difficult terrain and often include barriers such as steps.
- Level 4** Undeveloped or minimally developed section of park; inaccessible to most disabled persons.

This Trail Guide includes MetroParks Properties that are open to the public, and will be updated as additional areas are developed and opened for public access.

Park	Area	Trail	Miles	Surface Type	Hiking Difficulty	Accessibility Level	Power Driven Mobility Devices Permitted
Chrisholm MetroPark	Woodsdale	Eliza Holly	0.7	Dirt	Easy	3	None permitted
Chrisholm MetroPark	Woodsdale	Sam Augspurger	1.2	Dirt	Moderate (often muddy)	3	None permitted
Chrisholm MetroPark	Woodsdale	William Woods	1.0	Grass/Dirt/ Boardwalk	Moderate (often muddy)	3	None permitted
Elk Creek MetroPark	Meadow Ridge	Grandview	2.8	Asphalt/ Crushed Gravel	Easy	2	OPDMD permitted based on approved policy
Elk Creek MetroPark	Meadow Ridge	South Pond	1.4	Asphalt	Easy	2	OPDMD permitted based on approved policy
Elk Creek MetroPark	Meadow Ridge	Twin Lakes	2.0	Asphalt/ Crushed Gravel	Easy	2	OPDMD permitted based on approved policy
Elk Creek MetroPark	Sebald Park	Dry Run	2.3	Dirt	Difficult	3	None permitted Trail Designed for Equestrian use only
Elk Creek MetroPark	Sebald Park	Elk Creek	0.5	Dirt	Difficult	3	None permitted Trail Designed for Equestrian use only
Elk Creek MetroPark	Sebald Park	Foothills	0.8	Dirt	Difficult	3	None permitted
Elk Creek MetroPark	Sebald Park	Highlands	0.8	Grass/Dirt	Moderate	3	None permitted
Elk Creek MetroPark	Sebald Park	Meadow	0.8	Grass	Easy	2	OPDMD permitted based on approved policy
Elk Creek MetroPark	Sebald Park	Ridge	1.4	Dirt	Difficult	3	None permitted Trail designed for Equestrian use only
Elk Creek MetroPark	Sebald Park	Valleyview	3.6	Dirt	Difficult	3	None permitted Trail Designed for Equestrian use only
Forest Run MetroPark	Timberman Ridge	Cross Country Route 1	3.1	Grass	Moderate	3	None permitted

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Forest Run MetroPark	Timberman Ridge	Cross Country Route 2	2.1	Grass	Moderate	3	None permitted
Forest Run MetroPark	Timberman Ridge	Grand Circle	1.7	Grass/Dirt	Moderate	3	None permitted
Forest Run MetroPark	Timberman Ridge	Old Orchard	0.4	Grass	Moderate	3	None permitted
Forest Run MetroPark	Timberman Ridge	Rolling Meadow	0.7	Grass/Asphalt	Moderate	2	OPDMD permitted on Asphalt portion of trail
Forest Run MetroPark	Timberman Ridge	Scenic Ridge	1.0	Grass	Moderate	3	None permitted
Forest Run MetroPark	Timberman Ridge	Timberman Ridge	1.3	Asphalt	Easy (2 moderate inclines)	1	OPDMD permitted based on approved policy
Forest Run MetroPark	Wildlife Preserve	Creekside	0.7	Dirt	Easy	3	None Permitted
Forest Run MetroPark	Wildlife Preserve	Lower Meadow	0.4	Grass	Moderate (long incline)	2	OPDMD permitted based on approved policy
Forest Run MetroPark	Wildlife Preserve	Prairie Overlook	0.3	Grass	Easy	2	OPDMD permitted based on approved policy
Forest Run MetroPark	Wildlife Preserve	Ring	1.0	Grass/Dirt	Moderate	3	None Permitted
Forest Run MetroPark	Wildlife Preserve	Upper Meadow	0.7	Grass	Moderate (long incline)	2	OPDMD permitted based on approved policy
Forest Run MetroPark	Wildlife Preserve	Woodland Creek	0.6	Dirt/Mulch	Moderate	3	None Permitted
Four Mile Creek MetroPark	Antenen Nature Preserve	Creek Access	0.25	Grass/ Dirt	Moderate (2 short, steep inclines)	4	None Permitted
Gilmore MetroPark		Great Egret	2.4	Grass	Moderate	3	None Permitted
Gilmore MetroPark		Highlands Trace	1.1	Grass	Easy	3	None Permitted
Gilmore MetroPark		Miami-Erie Canal	3	Asphalt	Easy	1	OPDMD permitted based on approved policy
Gilmore MetroPark		Night Heron	0.9	Grass	Moderate	3	None permitted
Gilmore MetroPark		Wetlands	1.8	Grass/Gravel	Easy	3	None permitted

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Governor Bebb MetroPark		American Discovery	0.6	Dirt/Grass	Difficult (steep inclines, narrow bridges)	3	None permitted
Governor Bebb MetroPark		Chief Cornstalk	0.8	Dirt/Grass	Difficult (steep inclines, narrow bridges)	3	None permitted
Governor Bebb MetroPark		Nonhelema	0.9	Grass	Easy	2	OPDMD permitted based on approved policy
Governor Bebb MetroPark		Pelewa	0.3	Dirt/Grass	Difficult	3	None permitted
Governor Bebb MetroPark		Serenity	0.6	Dirt	Difficult	3	None permitted
Great Miami River Trail	Middletown Segment		9.0	Asphalt	Easy	1	OPDMD permitted based on approved policy
Indian Creek MetroPark	Springfield Road	Mound	0.9	Dirt/Grass	Moderate (some roots, mud possible after rain)	2	OPDMD permitted based on approved policy
Indian Creek MetroPark	Springfield Road	Trillium	0.7	Gravel/Dirt	Difficult (steep inclines and steps)	4	None permitted
Rentschler Forest MetroPark	Line Hill Mound	Mound	1.1	Grass/Dirt	Easy	2	OPDMD permitted based on approved policy
Rentschler Forest MetroPark	Line Hill Mound	Pond	1.4	Grass/Dirt	Moderate	3	None Permitted
Rentschler Forest MetroPark	Line Hill Mound & Timberhill	Great Miami River Trail	0.6	Grass/Gravel	Difficult	3	None Permitted (on unpaved portion)
Rentschler Forest MetroPark	Reigart Road	Cascades	0.8	Dirt	Difficult	3	None Permitted
Rentschler Forest MetroPark	Reigart Road	Great Miami River Trail	9.7	Asphalt	Easy	1	OPDMD permitted based on approved policy
Rentschler Forest MetroPark	Reigart Road	Pumpkin Vine	0.9	Dirt/Gravel	Moderate	3	None permitted
Rentschler Forest MetroPark	Reigart Road	Tall Pines	0.3	Dirt	Moderate	3	None permitted
Rentschler Forest MetroPark	Reigart Road	Wetland	0.5	Grass	Moderate	2	None permitted
Rentschler Forest MetroPark	Timberhill	Cardinal	0.3	Grass/Dirt	Moderate	3	None permitted
Rentschler Forest MetroPark	Timberhill	Hill and Dale	0.1	Grass/Dirt	Moderate	3	None permitted

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Rentschler Forest MetroPark	Timberhill	Yellow Finch	0.5	Grass/Dirt	Moderate	3	None permitted
Voice of America MetroPark		Butler-Warren	0.9	Asphalt	Easy	1	OPDMD permitted based on approved policy
Voice of America MetroPark		Cross Country Route 1	1.5	Grass	Easy	2	OPDMD permitted based on approved policy
Voice of America MetroPark		Cross Country Route 2	2.0	Grass	Easy	2	OPDMD permitted based on approved policy
Voice of America MetroPark		Cross Country Route 3	3.1	Grass	Easy	2	OPDMD permitted based on approved policy
Voice of America MetroPark		Lake	1.4	Asphalt	Easy	1	OPDMD permitted based on approved policy

NOTES:

1. If OPDMD are permitted on a certain trail, there is no guarantee that the trail will be suitable for such use on a given day. Weather conditions or other factors beyond the control of the MetroParks may affect the suitability of the trail for OPDMD use.
2. Some segments of trails on MetroParks trail maps have a dual designation where the routes of two or more trails share the same corridor. In this situation, the trail with the most permissive requirements applies to that section. For example, if a segment of trail shares a corridor with one trail that permits OPDMD and another that does not, then OPDMD are permitted on that trail segment.

Each of the open MetroParks sites have also been evaluated for accessibility for disabled persons:

Chrisholm MetroPark – Chrisholm Historic Farmstead - level 2

Terrain is mostly dirt/gravel. There is access to restrooms from parking area. There are slight inclines around the house and barn than can be muddy.

Chrisholm MetroPark - Woodsdale Regional Park - level 3

Parking area is paved and area surrounding is all dirt/grass mix. Area is often under water for long periods of time.

Elk Creek MetroPark – Meadow Ridge - level 2

Large paved parking area with accessible portable toilet and kiosk. Trails are mostly paved but some sections are crushed gravel. The trails traverse rolling topography and feature some moderate inclines. The paved trails are narrow and the paved surface is broken up in some areas.

Elk Creek MetroPark – Sebald Park Area - level 3

Large paved parking areas. There is one accessible playground with direct access to paved parking. Other areas are dirt/grass/gravel mix. Shelters often lack paved pathway connections to parking. Restrooms are located away from parking area and may be difficult to reach without assistance. Trails are often muddy due to tree cover preventing them from drying.

Forest Run MetroPark - level 2

Large paved parking area with paved pathway connections to accessible vault latrines, kiosk, and playground area. Trails have minor inclines but are dirt/grass mix and can change to mud based on weather.

Forest Run MetroPark - Engle House Area - level 2

Parking area is paved/gravel mix. There is access to main office from south parking area that is paved. There is a minor incline from gravel lot parking area.

Forest Run MetroPark – Timberman Ridge Area - level 1

Paved parking with access to paved trail. Accessible portable toilet provided.

Four Mile Creek MetroPark - Antenen Nature Preserve Area - level 4

Parking area is loose stone. Trails are often washed out with large open areas to cross that are steep inclines made of dirt and mud with tree roots often exposed. Use caution along steep edges of trails near water.

Gilmore MetroPark - level 3

Small parking area is paved with access to park. Trails are often under water for long periods of time.

Governor Bebb MetroPark - level 3

Several paved parking areas, including one with access to an accessible vault latrine. The trails feature steep inclines on very rugged terrain that changes often based on weather. Some trails cross creeks that can have high water with steep inclines in and out of them. There are also steps throughout the trails.

Indian Creek MetroPark - Springfield Road Area - level 3

Parking area is paved with paved pathway access to playground. Shelter and portable toilet lack paved pathway access. Trails are very rigorous with steep inclines that are often muddy with tree roots exposed. There are also large box stairs that are filled with gravel. Weather changes this area frequently, leaving ruts in the trails.

Indian Creek MetroPark Oxford-Reily Road Area - level 3

Parking area is paved with connections to accessible vault latrine and kiosk. Trails are near water's edge and consist of sand/dirt/gravel mix. Weather often changes the stability of the ground near the water's edge. Those visiting the water's edge should exercise caution.

Indian Creek MetroPark - Pater Park Area - level 3

Terrain is all grass and loose gravel with steep inclines at the entrance/exit.

Indian Creek MetroPark Pioneer Church Area - level 3

Parking area is grass. Steep incline to structures on property that changes based on weather.

Indian Creek MetroPark - Bunker Hill Cemetery Area - level 2

The surface is mostly grass and is generally flat, but often muddy.

Rentschler Forest MetroPark - Line Hill Mound Area - level 3

Small paved parking area. There are steep inclines throughout the park that are often muddy with ruts from washouts. All trails are dirt/grass mix.

Rentschler Forest MetroPark - Timberhill Area - level 3

Large paved parking area. Access to several buildings is available via gravel or paved path. Trails are dirt, loose rock and leaves. There are several inclines along trails with stairs and tree roots that are exposed.

Rentschler Forest MetroPark – Reigart Road Area - level 2

Paved parking areas with paved pathway access to flush restrooms, some shelters, and the paved Great Miami River Trail. Not all parts of the park are accessible. Some trails have several inclines that are steep and consist of dirt with narrow passages. There are also several steep drop-offs to creek beds of 5 feet or more. There are also steps made with gravel or stone. Due to ongoing erosion, use caution near edge of Great Miami River.

Timberman Ridge Area - level 1

Paved parking with access to paved trail. Accessible portable toilet provided.

Voice of America MetroPark - level 1

Lodge area features large paved parking area with paved pathway access to restrooms, bait shop, lake trail, and lodge. Lake path is paved and mostly flat with minor inclines. Athletic Complex area is also mostly flat with a combination of paved and gravel/grass parking, and features paved pathway access to restrooms and concessions. The Athletic Complex area is generally accessible but can become difficult under heavy rain. Wiggly Field Dog Park features mostly gravel parking and access paths, and the area can become very muddy after rain.