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# TRAIL BIKE TOURING REGISTRATION LEVELS AND ASSESSMENT REQUIREMENTS

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## Introduction

This document contains information on the minimum skills required to achieve Registration within the National Outdoor Leader Registration Scheme (NOLRS) at specific levels within the activity of TRAIL BIKE TOURING.

Additional documents are available at [www.outdoorcouncil.asn.au](http://www.outdoorcouncil.asn.au) that provide information about the Scheme and the registration process include:

- **NOLRS Registration Guide** - information about the registration requirements and process
- **NOLRS Re-registration Guide** - information about the re-registration requirements and process
- **Application for Registration**
- **Application for Subsequent Registration**
- **Application for Re-registration**
- **NOLRS Partnered Assessment Providers** - a guide for organisations that conduct assessment of outdoor leaders, detailing how to have their course outcomes recognised as equivalent to the skill and knowledge requirements of the NOLRS.

## What is TRAIL BIKE TOURING?

The activity of TRAIL BIKE TOURING involves off-road\* motor cycling in the natural environment for pleasure, challenge, experience and / or educational outcomes. For the purposes of this Standard, the term 'TRAIL BIKE TOURING' is appropriately applied to group rides that are lead by an outdoor leader, be they day or extended / overnight rides that can be experienced in diverse environments including metropolitan, coastal, outback and remote regions.

It is not intended that circuit riding, competitive and sporting events (and / or the training relevant to them) will be captured by the Standard.

It is intended that "internet-based group rides" will be captured by this Standard

\*Off-Road may include unsealed roads, single tracks and disused railway / forestry tracks

\*At times sealed roads may be ridden as they may link off-road surfaces comprising a route

## Registration Levels and Description

TRAIL BIKE TOURING registration levels apply to Guides and Instructors who conduct TRAIL BIKE TOURING activities in the natural environment (including metropolitan, coastal, outback and remote regions) for pleasure, challenge, experience and / or educational outcomes.

*The following registration levels are available within the NOLRS within the activity of TRAIL BIKE TOURING -*

- TRAIL BIKE TOURING Guide
- TRAIL BIKE TOURING Instructor

### **TRAIL BIKE TOURING Guide:**

A person designated as a TRAIL BIKE TOURING Guide has the skills, knowledge and experience to work autonomously within a closely defined range of skilled operations involving known routines, methods and procedures, where a small amount of discretion and judgement is required in the selection of equipment, services or contingency measures. This person may conduct activities independently only within clearly defined contexts where there are clearly defined Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and relevant documented guidelines for the activity, they are familiar with those SOPs, and where assistance is readily available should a non-routine situation arise.

A TRAIL BIKE TOURING Guide leads or guides dependent participants in TRAIL BIKE TOURING activities. There is no intention of imparting skills or knowledge to participants beyond that which is necessary to enable their safe participation in the TRAIL BIKE TOURING activity. At the end of a session or program with a Guide, the intent is not for the participant to have acquired the skills to independently participate in the activity. A TRAIL BIKE TOURING Guide may conduct activities only at sites which have documentation that defines the key safety features and risk management procedures for the activity.

A TRAIL BIKE TOURING Guide does not have the ability to adequately assess the suitability of a new facility / site and its characteristics or to independently develop procedures for the conduct of TRAIL BIKE TOURING activities. They may work as an assistant with a more experienced leader in potentially non-routine or more complex activities and programs.

A Trail Bike Four Wheel Driving Guide has the knowledge, skills and experience that enable them to:

- Plan for minimal environmental impact
- Undertake risk analysis of activities
- Participate in extended off-highway motorcycle tours
- Plan and Guide outdoor recreation sessions
- Follow defined Occupational Health and Safety policy and procedures
- Facilitate groups and deal with conflict
- Respond to emergency situations
- Select, set up and maintain an off highway motorcycle
- Demonstrate basic off-highway motorcycling skills
- Use and maintain a temporary overnight site
- Guide off-highway motorcycle tours

### **TRAIL BIKE TOURING Instructor:**

A person designated as a TRAIL BIKE TOURING Instructor facilitates skill transfer or development to participants in order that they may independently TRAIL BIKE TOURING.

This requires the instructor to be able to transfer required skills and knowledge, apply a variety of appropriate instructional strategies, and assess a participant's skill and knowledge acquisition during and at the end of a program or session.

A TRAIL BIKE TOURING Instructor has the knowledge, skills and experience of a TRAIL BIKE TOURING Guide as well as additional skills and experience in training and assessment. A person at this level of competence may instruct participants to enable them to:

- Train small groups
- Instruct advanced skills of off-highway motorcycling
- Demonstrate advanced off-highway motorcycling skills

# TRAIL BIKE TOURING Skill, Knowledge and Experience Requirements

## TRAIL BIKE TOURING Guide:

Critical aspects of a TRAIL BIKE TOURING Guide experience, knowledge and skills include:

- Ability to demonstrate a variety of leadership styles, select styles appropriate for a variety of situations and facilitate group decision making where appropriate
- Application of risk analysis principles in a TRAIL BIKE TOURING context
- Maintenance of a participant's physical and emotional safety during TRAIL BIKE TOURING sessions in a diversity of situations (eg, different participant groups, different learning outcomes)
- Ability to plan, guide and evaluate TRAIL BIKE TOURING sessions at a number of different locations to suit available resources, environmental limitations and different types of participant groups with differing needs and activity aims
- Establish and maintain positive group dynamics\
- Factual information on types of motorcycles, characteristics of different motorcycles and types of equipment/technology useful to guiding motorcycle trips
- Knowledge of relevant land management legislation, regulations and access requirements, road rules and minimal impact codes of conduct
- Methods /procedures and techniques for operational, recording, reporting, selling and merchandising
- Safety including hazards, precautions, hazard prevention/minimisation strategies and risk management strategies
- Motorcycle maintenance and repair
- Communication systems when leading groups
- First aid and emergency procedures appropriate to the location
- Location knowledge
- Personal off-highway motorcycling skills to a high level of technical correctness
- Use of repair equipment and techniques to undertake repairs
- Stowing and waterproofing gear
- Navigation skills
- Group control whilst guiding motorcycle trips
- First aid skills appropriate to the location

In order to demonstrate currency, an applicant seeking registration must have verifiable evidence of guiding a minimum of four (4) TRAIL BIKE TOURING sessions (minimum of three hours per session) in the past twelve (12) months. In addition, evidence must be supplied of 'in-house' or external training within the past 12 months.

Newly trained outdoor leaders require verifiable evidence of guiding a minimum of six (6) TRAIL BIKE TOURING sessions (minimum of three hours per session) at least two (2) different locations.

## TRAIL BIKE TOURING Instructor:

Critical Aspects of a TRAIL BIKE TOURING Instructor skills and knowledge include those of a TRAIL BIKE TOURING Guide **PLUS** the following:

*Skills to:*

- Repair and maintenance competencies to effectively deal with emergencies whilst instructing off-highway motorcycling
- Instructional techniques to adapt sessions to meet a variety of learning abilities
- Advanced off-highway motorcycling skills to demonstrate and correct technique

*Ability to demonstrate and / or teach the following:*

- Safety procedures during the conduct or instruction of off-highway motorcycling skills
- Advanced off-highway motorcycling skills to demonstrate and correct technique

*Knowledge of*

- Activity location and its suitability for the conduct of the instructional session
- Industry guidelines, codes of practice, recommended staff/participant ratios
- Relevant legislation impacting upon the instruction or conduct of off-highway motorcycling including:
  - Occupational Health and Safety
  - Land management agencies
  - Local government
- Theories of instruction applicable to a range of ages and learning abilities
- Participants abilities and needs , in order to adapt the instructional session

In order to demonstrate currency, an applicant seeking registration must have verifiable evidence of instructing or guiding a minimum of four (4) TRAIL BIKE TOURING sessions (minimum of three hours per session; at least three sessions must be instructing) in the past twelve (12) months. In addition, evidence must be supplied of 'in-house' or external training within the past 12 months.

Newly trained outdoor leaders require verifiable evidence of instructing or guiding a minimum of six (6) TRAIL BIKE TOURING (minimum of three (3) hours per session; at least three (3) sessions must be instructing) at different locations.