

Turkey Bay

Turkey Bay Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Area provides 100 miles of designated trails for off-road riding and camping. Centrally located, Turkey Bay offers a variety of topography and trails for everyone.

All riders must sign a liability waiver. By signing, registrants agree to obey all rules and regulations posted at Turkey Bay OHV Area and on Land Between the Lakes’ literature and website.

The permit holder is responsible for all use of registered vehicle, ensuring it is operated in a safe and prudent manner at all times.

Trails may close if the ground is saturated in order to prevent resource damage

Always “**Call Before You Haul**” (800-525-7077 or 270-924-2000) or check **Alerts and Notices** online at www.landbetweenthelakes.us/alerts

Safety

1. You are responsible for your own safety. Trail use has inherent risks and you may encounter a variety of unexpected and dangerous conditions. It is your responsibility to be informed and take precautions.
2. Ride at your own risk. Know your limits.
3. Follow safety practices recommended by the All Terrain Vehicle Safety Institute: wear heavy shoes, protective clothing, gloves, eyewear, and DOT approved helmets.
4. Use caution while unloading and while riding in camping areas.
5. Trails have two-way traffic. For safety, drive with headlights on.
6. Be aware of our emergency helicopter landing zone. Do not park in its borders, denoted by white boundary markers.
7. Hunting small game, archery (deer), and other activities also occur in the Turkey Bay area. Be aware of and courteous to other users on and off the trail at all times.
8. Refer to the bulletin boards at our gatehouse for additional information and emergency procedures.

Turkey Bay OHV Area

80 Turkey Creek Road, Golden Pond, KY 42211
Information at Golden Pond Visitor Center
W 88° 4’ 17.57” | N 36° 45’ 2.40”
270-924-2233

- Please read our sign and instructions at entrance.
- Turkey Bay offers basic amenities for a nightly, per camping-unit fee.
- **Camping at Turkey Bay:** Choose a campsite, fill out a provided fee envelope, insert camping fee into the envelope, and deposit the envelope in the honor fee tube at the entrance. Please do this within 30 minutes of choosing your site.
- Two 24-hour generator areas, chemical toilets, and drinking water are available for our guests. See the map for camping area designations.
- If the gatehouse is not staffed, purchase your riding permit at Golden Pond Visitor Center. Camping registration is self-service at the information kiosk by the gatehouse.
- For faster registration, print and fill out the Turkey Bay Off-Highway Vehicle Area Registration and Liability Waiver Form. Bring the form to either Turkey Bay OHV Area Gatehouse or Golden Pond Visitor Center to register.

USDA Forest Service
**Land Between the Lakes
National Recreation Area**
Golden Pond Visitor Center
238 Visitor Center Drive
Golden Pond, KY 42211

www.landbetweenthelakes.us
800-525-7077 | 270-924-2000
lblinfo@usda.gov

In case of emergency dial 9-1-1
To contact Forest Service Law Enforcement
call 877-861-2457

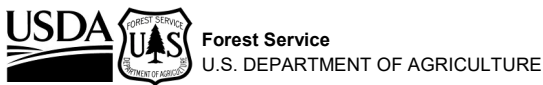
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Turkey Bay Off-Highway Vehicle Area Trail Map

LAND BETWEEN THE LAKES
National Recreation Area
KENTUCKY | TENNESSEE



Responsible Riding = Future Riding



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Turkey Bay Off-Highway Vehicle Trails

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Route Markers

All trails are two-directional.

Primary Trails | Yellow Blaze
These maintained trails offer novice riders pleasant, less-challenging riding opportunities.

Secondary Trails | Orange Blaze
These narrow and more challenging trails serve as connectors between primary trails.

Tertiary Trails | Blue Blaze
The narrowest and most challenging trails serving as connectors between both primary and secondary trails.

Challenge Areas | Red Rings
These areas offer our most difficult trails and are typically 2-10 acres of steep, washed-out hill climbs. Although individual trails within our Challenge Areas will not be marked, boundaries are marked by red rings on the trees. Only ride on trails already disturbed.



- Keep It Safe
- Keep On Trails
- Keep It Legal
- Keep The Privilege

Ride at your own risk.

Camping Rules

During your stay with us, please help provide a safe, quality experience for all our visitors.

1. Fires allowed at campsites only. You must attend to your fire at all times. Extinguish campfires before you leave.
2. Please maintain a clean campsite.
3. Quiet hours are from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. No generators during these hours, except in designated 24-hour generator areas.
4. Avoid excessive riding in or near campsites.
5. Campsites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Saving camping spots and roping off areas is not permitted.
6. Regulations for Dispersed and Basic Camping Areas apply. Camping units may not be left unattended for more than a 24-hour period without permission (36 CFR 261.16).
7. All camping must be in a designated Turkey Bay OHV Camping Area.
8. An honor fee system is located next to the gatehouse for afterhours camping registration.

Camping: \$12 per camping unit per night

Two-24 hour generator areas, chemical toilets, and drinking water are available. Ice is available for purchase at the gatehouse. Camping registration is self-service at the information kiosk in front of the gatehouse. Camping is not permitted outside of the designated camping area. Showers available at Wranglers Campground for a fee. Wranglers also has a seasonal Outpost with limited supplies for purchase.

Annual OHV Permit: \$100 — valid from date of purchase to December 31 of current year.

1- to 3- Day OHV Permit: \$20 — valid for three consecutive days after date of purchase.

All permits are non-transferable.

Turkey Trot Youth Trail

A 1/2 mile kids' riding and learning trail is available in the flat, wooded area near May's Cemetery.

The entire area is fenced off and incorporates many fundamental obstacles for beginning riders. It includes small rocks and logs, sharp turns, uphill/downhill/side hill challenges, and whoop-dee-doo's.

Help build your child's confidence by teaching basic trail riding techniques on the Turkey Trot Trail.

Turkey Trot Rules and Regulations

1. Only riders 16 years or under are allowed.
2. Helmets must be worn at all times. We recommend wearing protective safety gear such as gloves, boots, eye protection, and body armor.
3. Direct supervision is mandatory at all times.
4. We encourage parents and legal guardians to walk the trail with young riders.
5. Only ATVs and dirt bikes 90cc or less are allowed on the trail. No go-carts.
6. A Turkey Bay riding permit is required for all vehicles.
7. Obey 10 mph speed limit. This trail is not a race track for any age.
8. Trail traffic is ONE WAY. Stay on the marked trail and follow the arrows.
9. No camping in the kids' riding area.
10. Law Enforcement Officers and Turkey Bay staff reserve the right to revoke riding privileges of any rider if misuse or inappropriate behavior occurs.



Download the free Avenza Maps App. Then scan the above QR code for the Turkey Bay Trail Map.

Turkey Bay Off-Highway Vehicle Trails

LAND BETWEEN THE LAKES *National Recreation Area*



Rules and Regulations

1. All riders are required to wear a U.S. Department of Transportation approved motorcycle safety helmet while riding or operating a vehicle. Exceptions include vehicles with a fully enclosed metal cab or roll bar protection and with functioning seatbelts.
2. Operators and passengers of motorized vehicles must fasten their seatbelts while the vehicle is in use. Exceptions include motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles (ATVs).
3. Riding passengers on vehicles not designed by the manufacturer to carry passengers is prohibited (36 CFR 261.55b). Passengers can only ride in vehicles built by the manufacturer to carry passengers; the vehicle must have an enclosed metal cab or roll bar protection and seatbelts. No aftermarket add-ons allowed (ex: bump seats).
4. Anyone under 18 years of age must have a parent or legal guardian's signature to ride.
5. We require direct parental or adult supervision for all persons under the age of 16 operating an OHV (KY Revised Statute 189.515).
6. A person under the age of sixteen (16) years, when operating or riding as a passenger on an all-terrain vehicle, shall wear approved headgear, in the manner prescribed by the Secretary of the Transportation Cabinet, at all times that the vehicle is in motion. (KY State Law 189.515 6c)
7. No person under age 16 may operate an ATV with an engine size exceeding 90cc displacement. No person under age 12 may operate an ATV with an engine size exceeding 70cc displacement (KY State Law 189.515).
8. Law Enforcement Officers and Turkey Bay staff reserve the right to revoke riding privileges of any

- rider if misuse or inappropriate behavior occurs.
9. All users must enter and exit Turkey Bay by way of Forest Service Road #167 off Woodlands Trace. All other accesses are prohibited.
 10. Kentucky state law prohibits public consumption of alcohol.
 11. Operate OHVs from sunrise to sunset only. We post legal riding hours at the gatehouse daily.
 12. All OHVs must be registered with Land Between the Lakes before use in Turkey Bay OHV Area. The permit sticker must always be properly displayed on the registered vehicle. Permits are not transferable between vehicles. When the gatehouse is staffed, permits can be obtained there. When the gatehouse is not staffed, riders must obtain a permit from the Golden Pond Visitor Center- open all year, 9am-5pm.
 13. No exhibition riding permitted.
 14. Speed Limits: 15mph on entrance road; 10mph in camping and unloading areas
 15. All vehicles and operators must follow all state and federal laws.
 16. OHVs must have properly functioning spark arresters and mufflers. Noncompliance will result in removal of permit and riding privileges.
 17. Respect all "closed to riding" restoration areas. Responsible riding ensures future riding.
 18. Operating a vehicle in a manner that damages, mutilates, or removes any natural feature or other property is prohibited (36 CFR 261.9 a and b). This includes mudding, mud bogging, or creating new trail and travel is strictly prohibited.
 19. Stay on designated trails. If a trail is not marked, it is not a legal trail, and travel is strictly prohibited.

20. Users must remain within the boundaries of Turkey Bay OHV Area. The water's edge serves as the western boundary.
21. Operating any all-terrain vehicle on a Forest Development Road outside of Turkey Bay OHV Area is prohibited (Forest Order 60-11-17, 36 CFR 261.13). "All-terrain vehicle" is defined as any motor vehicle used for recreational off-road purposes. This includes but is not limited to: side-by-sides OHVs and 4 wheelers regardless if state licensed.
22. Golf carts are not permitted in Turkey Bay OHV Area.
23. Pack it in. Pack it out. Litter laws strictly enforced; Dispose of oil and hazardous chemicals properly. Trash bags available at gatehouse upon request.

Amphibious ATVs

1. There is only one legal point of entrance and exit for personal water craft and amphibious ATVs at Land Between the Lakes in Turkey Bay OHV Area. You will find this point depicted on the Turkey Bay OHV Area Map.
2. To enter or exit land and water, you must go back to the designated launch point.
3. All users of this landing are required to register their vehicle at the Turkey Bay Gatehouse via Road 167 immediately upon arrival.
4. Only ATVs made by the manufacturer to be operated as an amphibious ATV may enter the water. All Rules and Regulations apply to amphibious ATVs when operated in Turkey Bay OHV Area.
5. The lakeside boundary fluctuates with the summer and winter pool lake levels. The water's edge serves as the western boundary to Turkey Bay.

Turkey Bay OHV Area Trail Map

Note: Based on current information, this map is correct. We adjusted the map to fit the paper size. Please excuse any measurement discrepancies. Thank you.

