



# LANDOWNER PERMISSION FORM

Vermont ATV Sportman's Association, Inc.  
 14 Don Camp Drive, Barre, VT 05641  
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 (802) 477-5075

Landowner hereby consents and grants permission to the Vermont ATV Sportsman's Association, Inc. (VASA) and its' duly registered members, to use and maintain an ATV trail or trails for the operation of ATVs upon Landowners property located in the county of: \_\_\_\_\_, and further described.

**Property Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Trail Mileage: \_\_\_\_\_

**Landowner Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

The ATV trail(s) shall be established and maintained in an area acceptable and agreeable to the landowner. No construction or major maintenance shall occur without the landowner's permission.

**Permission is granted to (VASA Club) \_\_\_\_\_ for a maximum of three years starting (mm/dd/yy) \_\_\_\_\_ and ending (mm/dd/yy) \_\_\_\_\_ and is subject to the additional terms and conditions listed below. If none, please enter "None".**

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Does the landowner's property have any easements/Forest Management Plans/ Land Use Agreements?(Yes/No) \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please describe and attach:**

\_\_\_\_\_

VASA agrees to maintain a policy of trails liability insurance with a policy limit of \$1,000,000.00 covering the Landowner as an additional insured. Neither this permission nor any use or the trail established pursuant to this permission shall, under any circumstances, entitle VASA, or any members of the club to claim any dedication, any right of adverse possession, any prescriptive easement, or any similar right with respect to any portion of the landowner's property.

<u>VASA</u>	<u>Landowner</u>	<u>Witness</u>
X _____ <b>Printed Name</b>	X _____ <b>Printed Name</b>	X _____ <b>Printed Name</b>
X _____ <small>Signature of duly authorized agent of VASA</small>	X _____ <small>Signature of landowner or authorized agent</small>	X _____ <small>Signature of duly authorized agent of VASA</small>
_____ <b>Phone Number</b>	_____ <b>Date</b>	_____ <b>Phone Number</b>

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## Chapter 20: VERMONT TRAILS SYSTEM

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(a) In order to provide access to the use and enjoyment of the outdoor areas of Vermont, to conserve and use the natural resources of this state for healthful and recreational purposes, and to provide transportation from one place to another, it is declared to be the policy of this state to provide the means for maintaining and improving a network of trails to be known as the "Vermont trails system."

(b) It is the intent of the legislature that trails be established within and without boundaries of state parks and forests and, when feasible, to interconnect units of the state park and forest system, as well as such federal and municipal lands as may be appropriate.

(c) The development, operation, and maintenance of the Vermont trails system is declared to be a public purpose and in this context, the agency of natural resources together with other governmental agencies is authorized to spend public funds for such purposes and to accept gifts and grants of funds, property, or property rights from public or private sources to be used for such purposes where permission is granted.

(d) It is the intent of the legislature to maintain Vermont's eligibility for receiving and spending federal funds for trails.

(e) It is the intent of the legislature that whenever a railroad line not already owned by the state of Vermont is proposed for abandonment, and continuation of railroad service is not economically feasible under present conditions, the right-of-way may be acquired by the state of Vermont for railbanking and interim trail use under chapter 58 of Title 5. (Added 1993, No. 211 (Adj. Sess.), § 28.)

#### § 448. Landowner liability

No public or private owner of land which is a part of the Vermont trails system shall be liable for any property damage or personal injury sustained by any person using these trails unless the public or private owner intentionally inflicts the damage or injury. (Added 1993, No. 211 (Adj. Sess.), § 28.)

#### § 443. Vermont trails system

The Vermont trails system shall consist of those individual trails recognized by the agency of natural resources with the advice of the greenways council. The agency, with the advice of the council, shall establish criteria for recognition of single use and shared use trails. (Added 1993, No. 211 (Adj. Sess.), § 28.)

#### VASA Member's Code Of Ethics

I will be a good sportsman;  
I realize that people judge all ATV's by the way that I ride.  
I will use my influence with others to promote safe sportsman like conduct.  
I will not damage trees, shrubs, or any other landforms. I will not litter any trails, camping areas, lakes, or streams.  
I will respect the rights and properties of others.  
I will always lend my helping hands for whoever is in distress.  
I will always make my ATV and myself available in any search or rescue procedures.  
I will know and uphold any and all local, state and federal laws regarding the safe operation of my ATV whenever and wherever I may ride.  
I will respect the rights of all other sportsman to enjoy their recreational activities as I do mine.  
I will not ride where prohibited or without permission. I will not harass, only enjoy our wildlife.  
I will not operate any ATV under the influence of drugs, alcohol, or medications.  
I will have a great time!!!!!!!!!!!!