



E-Bike and Electric Assist Recreation Policy

In response to the growing popularity of electric bikes and other electric assist recreation equipment, River Ridge Trails (RRT) is implementing an e-bike policy to help protect the natural resources in the park, and provide clarity for users.

Following the e-bikes classification system already being used by industry and other government bodies, the new policy allows e-bikes in certain areas, depending on the classification.

People with Class 1 e-bikes can ride on any RRT trail where mountain bikes or other cycling is already allowed. Class 2 and 3 e-bikes are prohibited from using the trails in the park. Class 1 e-bikes are generally powered by a motor of 500w or less, are speed limited to 32km/h, and do not have a throttle. More information can be found here: <https://bcparks.ca/recreation/biking/> and here https://www.sgi.sk.ca/motorcycle/-/knowledge_base/motorcycle-handbook/power-assisted-bicycles1

RRT also recognizes that other electric assist forms of recreation are being developed for trail use. Generally speaking, all electric assist recreational equipment consistent with Class 1 e-bike standards may be allowed in the park. Please note the following:

- Any electric assisted recreational equipment with a throttle is prohibited
- All electric assisted components must cut out at 32km/h.

Gas powered recreational equipment is prohibited in the park at all times, except as required for maintenance or safety/emergency purposes.

Accessible/Adaptive Equipment

Adaptive recreation equipment is permitted to be used in RRT. Electric or electric assist functions (if equipped) on this equipment do NOT have to conform to the definitions above. For accessible or adaptive equipment please consider the following:

- Equipment should be specifically designed to allow a person with a disability to participate in outdoor trail recreational activities otherwise designed for non-motorized uses
- Gas powered equipment is prohibited at all times
- Adaptive equipment built on a motorized vehicle platform (ATV, Dirt Bike, etc.) is prohibited