



8/1/2019-Bedford County Parks and Recreation Department has adopted the following Electric Bike or eMTB policy within the County's regional parks and properties maintained by Parks & Rec. staff.

Policy: Bedford County Parks & Recreation allows **Class 1** eMTBs wherever a bike is allowed, including on single track trails open to mountain bikes.

Locations in which this policy shall apply are Falling Creek Park in Bedford, Va., Montvale Park in Montvale Va. and Moneta Park located in Moneta, Va. Also included and covered in this policy are the New London Tech Trails located in Forest, Va. at the New London Center for Business and Technology on Meade Rd.

For the purpose of this policy a Class 1 eMTB is defined as an electric assist bicycle equipped with pedal-assist, no greater than 750-watt electric motor that engages only when the rider is pedaling and ceases to provide assistance at a speed of 20 miles per hour. The eMTB must be able to be identified as a class 1 e-bike upon request.

At this time CLASS 2 and Class 3 eMTBs are not allowed on any Bedford County Parks & Rec. properties or properties maintained by Parks & Rec.

- **CLASS 2:** This class of eMTB is **NOT allowed**. A "class 2 electric bicycle," or "low-speed throttle-assisted electric bicycle," is a bicycle equipped with a motor that may be used exclusively to propel the bicycle, and that is not capable of providing assistance when the bicycle reaches the speed of 20 miles per hour.
- **CLASS 3:** This class of eMTB is **NOT allowed**. A "class 3 electric bicycle," or "speed pedal-assisted electric bicycle," is a bicycle equipped with a motor that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling, and that ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches the speed of 28 miles per hour and equipped with a speedometer.

As with any bicycle on County trails helmets are highly recommended for your own safety.

All rules of the trail apply:

- Ride open trails.
- Leave No Trace.
- Control your bicycle.
- Yield appropriately.
- Never scare animals.
- Plan ahead.