

DIRTBIKE RIDING TIPS

What can you do to prevent accidents, injuries, breakdowns while on a dirtbike ride? Here are some riding tips for your safety, your bike, and to increase trail riding pleasure. These tips generally hold true in trail riding everywhere.

1. Ride with a partner.
2. Never pass through a trail intersection without being sure the rider behind you knows which way you went. Likewise, if the rider in front of you fails to do so, stop at that intersection and wait for him to return.
3. When coming upon other riders going the opposite direction hold up your left hand showing number of riders behind you.
4. Never ride faster than what your eyes can see and your skills can handle. This country has numerous trail sections which can seriously injure you if you fail to do so.
5. If on a long ride bring food, water, radio, map... all the stuff!
6. If you have a headlight, use it. It is much easier for others to see you coming and lessen the risk of a head-on collision. It's also handy if you're returning after dark.
7. Don't even think about riding without all your protective gear.
8. Between you and your partner bring a tow strap and tools for repairs, including flats. Murphy's Law seems to assure flats occur the furthest distance from trucks.
9. Pay attention to where you're at relative to the parking area and the terrain in general. If you get separated and lost this may be all you have going for you.
10. If you've lost sight of the rider behind you, go back and find them. If possible alert the rider in front of you before doing so.
11. Make sure you have enough gas to complete the ride. If it's close then go easy on the gas. Bring extra if necessary. Making it back is your responsibility.
12. Make sure your bike is in good mechanical shape.
13. Don't ride on blocked off trails or private property
14. If you are not riding a legal dual sport, don't ride on the highway
15. If you see someone who may need help, stop and help them.

Thank You,
Your Bayside Adventure Sports Staff

