



HOW TO ADOPT A TRAIL

Please read all of the following before adopting a trail as each point is important. Thanks for considering to adopt a trail!

1. Find a trail that you want to love and cherish (i.e Adopt)
2. To Adopt, you (preferably along with a crew of your friends/family) needs to contact the NMTBC Trails Manager to register your intentions. Some trails are already adopted so they will be able to tell you if your chosen trail is available. Email: trails@nelsonmtb.club
3. NMTBC will provide a range of basic tools and trail building supplies (such as retaining timber, drainage pipe etc) that you can borrow and return in functional condition. Funding for specific projects may be made available subject to committee approval and keys to access trails for maintenance may be borrowed subject to the conditions set by landholders. The NMTBC Trails Manager will be the contact person to assist with arranging these resources, and may also organise formal club work parties on these trails to further assist with maintenance
4. If you adopt a trail that was originally built by somebody else, you should respect the intentions of the original builder and current users of that trail. Trails do change over time and rebuilding and realignment is part of that process, but significant changes such as deliberately making a difficult/technical section easier or building jumps on a beginner trail should be avoided. If you are also the original builder you can basically do what you like. In the case of an existing trail being unpopular, dangerous or not built to a high standard (highly susceptible to erosion for example) the NMTBC committee can approve changes in the character of the trail to improve it or rectify the issue.
5. As an adopter, you need to agree to take some measure of responsibility for the trail and to be proactive in the event of trail damage or other incident.