

Bumps and Berms

FACT SHEET 3 – BUILDING YOUR TRACK

REGISTRATION

If your proposed track has been assessed as suitable for construction, you can begin the construction process by registering as a volunteer.

Prior to construction, you'll be required to register with the Transport Canberra and City Services Volunteer Program. You'll then be required to sign a formal agreement detailing the role and responsibility of each of the participating parties.

Registration allows your volunteer group to be covered by ACT Government insurance. You'll also need to participate in an induction and work, health, and safety training session.



CONSTRUCTING YOUR TRACK

We recommend you liaise with a professional track builder to obtain advice on the construction of your track. You'll need to decide whether the track builder will construct the track, or whether you intend to construct it yourself based on their professional advice.

At a minimum, construction must be overseen by a professional track builder or an individual who has completed bike track construction training.

Materials must not be sourced locally on site unless permission is given, and no excavation is permitted. Your track must be at least 20 metres away from property boundaries, 1.2 metres away from paths, 20 metres away from roads and carparks, and must not be located within a tree protection zone.

MAINTENANCE

Once built, ongoing maintenance of the track must be completed to ensure that the track remains safe and fit for purpose. The ACT Government will inspect the track on a quarterly basis to ensure that it is up to standard. This inspection will assess the condition and wear of the track, as well as identifying any emerging work, health, and safety concerns or maintenance requirements.

Volunteers are also required to keep the track clear of debris, remove weeds in the area, and maintain shrubs in the area to ensure soil stability. Grass will need to be kept to a safe length, with the grassland two metres either side of the track required to be maintained by the volunteers. This is to prevent our mowers from damaging the track.

The ACT Government will assist with maintenance by mowing the rest of the grass in the area according to the mowing schedule and addressing any safety or compliance issues.

CONTACT US

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