



Show Your Cowboy Character

Recreate Responsibly



Out here in Wyoming, **Cowboy Character** is at the heart of who we are. We ask that while you visit, you follow the **Cowboy Code of Ethics** by practicing **Leave No Trace** and recreate responsibly, so that everyone can share our outdoor spaces.

Live Each Day with Courage

Have the **courage** and integrity to recreate responsibly all the time, not just when someone is watching.

Always Finish What You Start

Never leave a campfire unattended and always extinguish it completely. Fires should be cold to the touch. Always use established fire rings and check ahead for fire restrictions.

Take Pride in Your Work

Take pride in leaving the area **better** than you found it. Pick up after yourself or others, stay on the trails, obey all posted signs, and park in designated areas only.

Do What Has to be Done

Pay the day use fees, as they fund toilet facilities. Using provided toilets and cleaning up after pets protects **water sources** from contamination. When facilities are not available, plan to pack out all waste or dig a cathole away from water.

Be Tough, but Fair

Yield to others on all **multi-use trails**. Mountain bikers yield to hikers, hikers and mountain bikers yield to equestrians. Always leash pets in crowded areas and near wildlife.

Ride for the Brand

When riding, always stay on **designated trails and roads** to protect vegetation. Treat the land with respect by seeking dry areas, as riding through mud and water damages trails and streams.

Talk Less & Say More

Respectfully engage with others when there is conflict. Have the courage to **educate** others on responsible recreation, or alert the authorities.

Remember that Some Things Aren't for Sale (Or to Pet)

Take only pictures, keep only memories, and give someone else the **joy of discovery** by leaving nature as it is found. Keep animals wild by giving them plenty of space, and never feed a wild animal.

Know Where to Draw the Line

Preserve search and rescue resources by **knowing your limits**, equipment, and the area, and being wise about how you engage in your activity.

When You Make a Promise, Keep It

Pledge to take care of Albany County's public lands when recreating. **A Cowboy always keeps their word.**

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