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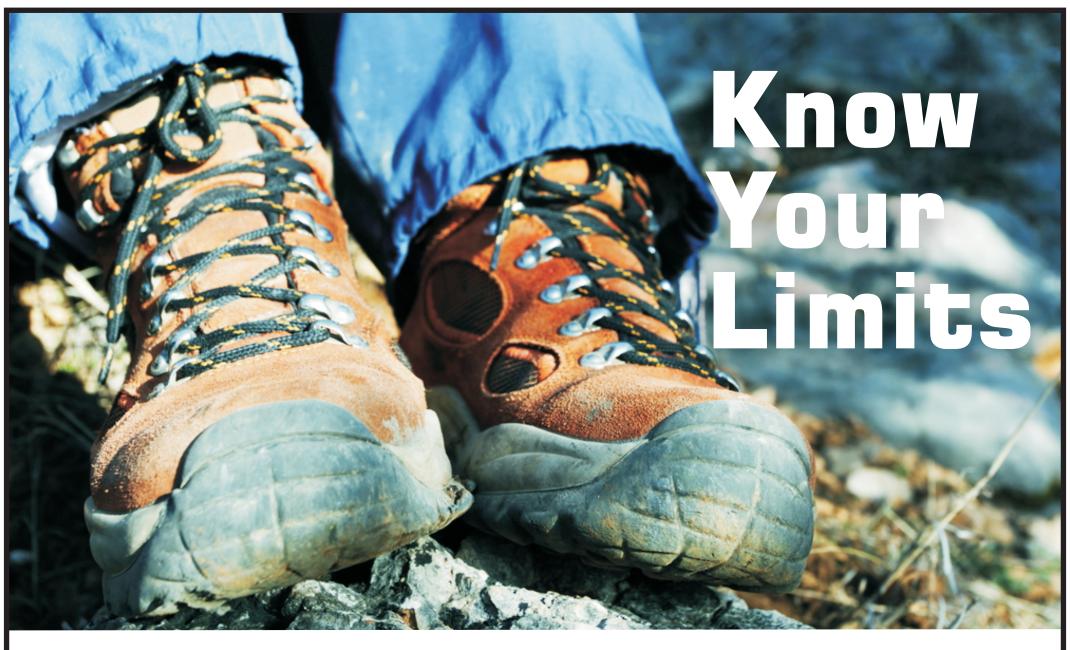
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- Tell someone where you are hiking and when you expect to return.
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Trail Rating Guide

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Rating Symbol		Brief Definition	Surface	Grade	Obstacles/Steps
	Easiest	Paved Accessible Trail	Paved or hard and smooth	がも	None
	Easy	Mostly smooth and wide	Dirt with occasional unevenness	*	2" or less, rocks and ruts
	Moderate	Mostly smooth, variable width	Dirt with occasional unevenness	**	<8" rocks and ruts, loose material
\Diamond	Moderate Difficult	Mostly uneven surfaces	Dirt and rock	*/	<12" rocks and ruts, loose material
•	Difficult	Long rocky segments with possible drops and exposure	Dirt and loose rock with continual unevenness	注 /	12" or taller, loose rocks, exposure to drops
**	Extremely Difficult	Long rocky segments with possible drops and exposure	Dirt and loose rock with continual unevenness	焓 /	12" or taller, loose rocks, exposure to drops and excessive heat >90F



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