# **Trail Etiquette Suggestions**



Walking, rollerblading, and bicycling are great ways to enjoy Eau Claire's Recreational Trail. We hope you will enjoy Eau Claire's walking and biking opportunities, and please be safe and courteous to others.

#### BE PREDICTABLE, BE ALERT, BE COURTEOUS.

#### **Pedestrians:**

Walk on the far right, no more than two abreast.

## **Dog Walkers:**

Walk right and curb your dogs to the grass. They must be on a leash, and please pick up after your dog.

### **Bicyclists:**

- Wear a helmet for protection and carry a cell phone for emergencies.
- Announce in a loud voice "On your left" or ring your bell before passing other cyclists or pedestrians on the left.
- Keep your speed low in crowded areas and be prepared to stop.
- When pedestrian traffic is heavy, walk your bike.
- Stop at all intersections, especially at crosswalks.
- Don't race or engage in time trials on trails.
- Form a single file line when approaching oncoming pedestrians or cyclists.
- Wear reflective clothing and blinking lights in low-light conditions.
- Cyclists on your way to the trail remember that in Wisconsin a bicycle in the roadway is legally defined as a vehicle and the cyclist must obey the same traffic laws as do operators of motor vehicles.
- Get in the habit of using hand signals to indicate direction change, and for safety's sake, always remember that you are "invisible" to motorists.

Courtesy to others always enhances everyone's use of the trail!

