Welcome to DCR’s Upton State Forest

Offering over 3,500 acres of park land, Upton is primarily used for hiking and horseback riding. It is part of the Massachusetts state park system and is managed by the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), an agency of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs.

DCR oversees 460,000 acres of parks, forests, beaches, bike trails, waterways, and dams. Its mission is to protect, promote, and enhance the state’s natural, cultural, and recreational resources. To learn about DCR and to discover more parks and recreational opportunities within the Massachusetts state parks, visit www.mass.gov/dcr.

Designated by a heart symbol, Healthy Heart Trails are pathways or trails used for hiking or walking that are easy to moderate in activity level and intended for routine use to help build a healthy heart.

Trail Use Guidelines at Upton
- Stay on designated trails and roads.
- Observe all posted rules and regulations.
- Off-Road Vehicle (ORV) use is prohibited.
- Be alert for other trail users.
- Hikers: Allow bicyclists and equestrians to pass.
- Bicyclists: Control your bike-do not yield.
- Avoid startling horses and equestrians—announce yourself.
- Equestrians: Control your horse.
- Be aware of hunting seasons, and wear blaze orange when appropriate.

Legend:
- Upton State Forest
- Paved Road
- Unpaved Road
- Trail
- Healthy Heart Trail
- Parking
- Forest Headquarters
- Closed Gate
- Power Line
- Town Boundary
- Wetland
- Brook, River
- Intermittent Stream
- Contour Line (10' Interval)

*Rules are in place to discourage motor vehicle use. All other trail users are welcome to travel beyond gate during park hours.