

GENERAL INFORMATION

Deseret Land and Livestock

Deseret Land and Livestock (DLL) is a cattle ranch owned by Farmland Reserve, Inc., which is a corporation owned by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. It is one of many farms and ranches the Church owns for investments and, if needed, as a food supply. Managers of these properties also actively seek ways to bless the local members and communities. One way that many of the ranches have accomplished this goal is to allow youth groups to participate in pioneer treks on the property. Deseret Land and Livestock offers this type of experience. Because of the demand for handcarts, DLL also decided to provide a service by maintaining, storing, and renting handcarts on trailers which can be taken to your own trekking site.

Handcarts and Trailers

Deseret Land and Livestock has 20 handcarts and two trailers available for stake or ward groups to rent for pioneer treks. Each handcart box is four-feet wide by five-feet long by 16 inches deep, built by service missionaries. The wheels for the handcarts were purchased from the Amish in Ohio. Please treat the handcarts with care, each handcart wheel costs \$110. Attached to the front of each handcart is a 20-foot cotton rope, allowing several people to pull the cart. These handcarts were built to handle the gear for 10-11 people.

The handcarts remain assembled and are moved on a 30-foot flat bed trailer with a two and 5/16 inch ball hitch (the trailers come with a ball and hitch but vehicles used to haul the trailers will need to be equipped with a receiver and a 7 Flat RV style electrical plug-in) . Each trailer holds 10 handcarts and weighs around 5,000 pounds. Each trailer comes with a spire tire (*See pictures of trailers and handcarts*).

Costs

Groups will be required to pay for the handcarts and leave a deposit for the trailers when they pick them up. The deposit will be refunded when the trailers and handcarts are returned. If there is any damage done to the trailers or handcarts, the cost for damage will be deducted from the deposit. The handcarts are available for pick up on Tuesday of the week they are being used and returned by the following Monday unless special arrangements are made with DLL.

To rent a trailer with 10 handcarts is \$150 dollars. For every trailer there is a \$500 deposit required. Checks should be made out to Deseret Land and Livestock.

Reservations and Contacts

To reserve handcarts, groups should contact the Missionary Trek Coordinators at (801)386-2979 or (801)715-9160 for reservations. Two weeks prior to obtaining the handcarts leaders need to call the Trek Missionaries at **(801)-368-2979** or (801)715-9160 and confirm pick up and drop off times. When leaders come to check out the handcarts they will receive instructions and review the handcart/trailer safety rules.

Leaders will complete the Handcart Check Out and In Form when they return the handcarts.

Location

Deseret Land and Livestock handcart rental is located at the Wahsatch Gate, take I-80 towards Evanston, get off at Exit 191 Wahsatch, at the stop sign make a left turn and go under the freeway, turn right on the frontage road and then left just pass the small building and water tank. The missionaries will meet you at the large metal gate across the rail road tracks.

Pioneer Trek Information

For more information about organizing and conducting a pioneer trek look under the tabs for Martin's Cove or Deseret Land and Livestock Trek Handbook or related sites.

HANDCART AND TRAILER SAFETY RULES

Handcart Rules

1. Handcarts should not be overloaded. They are designed to hold the gear for only 11 people, including clothing, sleeping bags, tarps, cooking equipment, and water.
2. Each handcart has a 20-foot rope that should remain attached to the cart during use.
3. No one should ride on the handcart when it is loaded.
4. When stopping the handcart, slowly lower the yoke until it rests on the ground. Do not drop the yoke or it will break.
5. Do not sit or stand on the yoke when it is resting on the ground.
6. Do not run with the handcarts. People can trip and fall under the wheels.
7. Stay away from the wheels. Some clothing, especially dresses can get caught in the wheels.
8. When stopping on a hill place a rock behind the wheels so that the handcart does not roll backward.
9. When going down steep hills, attach the rope to the back of the handcart and have everyone help to slow down the cart. Remember to always keep it under control.
10. Do not pull a loaded handcart sideways on a steep incline (where one wheel is consistently lower than the other). If all the weight of the handcart is shifted to one wheel it will break.

Trailer Rules

1. Make sure that your trailer is attached properly.
2. Make sure that the lights and surge brakes are working.
3. Check the tires to make sure they are properly inflated not flat.
4. Load handcarts onto the trailer putting a strap for every three or four handcarts.
5. Make sure that the ramp is secured properly.
6. Test all of the straps.
7. Remember to drive safe speeds and make wide turns.
8. When backing, ensure that you can see properly or have someone guide you.
9. Do not leave the handcarts or trailers where they can be stolen or vandalized.

HANDCARTS & TRAILERS



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HANDCART CHECK OUT AND IN FORM

This form is to be filled out by stake/ward leaders who come to pick up and return the handcarts. The stake/ward is responsible for the cost of all damage done to the equipment. Repair costs will be deducted from the deposit.

STAKE _____
LEADER _____ PHONE _____
DATE CHECKED OUT _____ DATE CHECKED IN _____
NO. OF HANDCARTS _____ NO. OF TRAILERS _____

CHECK OUT

**Check Below
When Completed**

- 1. Paid for the handcarts _____
- 2. Received the deposit for each trailer _____
- 3. Reviewed trailer safety and handcart rules with the leaders _____
- 4. Set up for return time _____

LEADER'S SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** _____

CHECK IN

- 1. Handcart Inspection
 - a. Tape, strings, and garbage are removed from the carts _____
 - b. The yokes are not cracked or damaged _____
 - c. The handcart box is free from any damage _____
 - d. Each handcart has a rope attached _____
 - e. The wheels are free of any damage _____
 - f. An extra wheel is on each trailer _____
 - g. Describe any damage _____
- 2. Trailer Inspection
 - a. All of the straps are returned _____
 - b. The trailer is free of any physical damage _____
 - c. The lights and surge brakes are in working order _____
 - d. Describe any damage _____
- 3. Deposit
 - a. Amount of deposit made at check in \$ _____
 - b. Amount of deposit returned \$ _____
 - b. If the full deposit is not returned due to damage, please give a detailed explanation for any deductions from the deposit _____

As a representative of the stake/ward renting the handcarts and trailer(s) I have read and agree to the above terms.

LEADER'S SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** _____