

ASA4WDC RECOMMENDED TRAIL RATING				
Trail Rating	Type of trail	Vehicle Equipment	Required	Recommend
1.0 - Easy	Semi maintained roads, Improved dirt/gravel road, Forest service main roads, Slight grades, Sandy areas	Passable by most 2-wheel drive vehicles	First aid kit	Tow hooks, Fire extinguisher, Tow Strap, Basic tool kit
2.0 - Easy	All of 1.0 plus Unimproved dirt roads, Potholes, Minor Washouts, Medium sized rocks	Stock 4x4	All of 1.0 plus Higher clearance helpful, Street tires acceptable	All of 1.0 plus Off highway tires, Tire repair kit
3.0 - Medium	All of 2.0 plus Loose gravel, Large potholes, Steep inclines, Lose gravel, Steep inclines	4x4 vehicle Front sway bar disconnects, Air down device	All of 2.0 plus Locker in in rear, Tow hooks, Off highway tires	All of 2.0 plus Cleaning products, Tow strap, Full cage, Hi lift jack, Rock sliders, Experienced driver
3.5 - Difficult	All of 3.0 plus Off camber, Rock climbs, Rock ledges, Small steps, 'V' notches, Possible body damage	All of 3.0 plus Off highway , 31" tires or larger required, 32-33" tires recommended	All of 3.0 plus Hard locker in rear, Hi lift jack, Full cage, Vehicle lift	All of 3.0 plus Locker in front, Upgraded steering, Upgraded gearing, Skid plate, Spare fluids, Spare parts
4.0 - Extreme	All of 3.5 plus Large rocks and boulders, Some alternate routes, Crevices, Body/tire damage likely, Shelf roads	All of 3.5 plus 31" tires or larger required, 33-35" tires recommended	All of 3.5 plus Locker in front, Low gearing, Spotter may be necessary, Experienced driver	All of 3.5 plus Winch, Clevis, Upgraded drivetrain, Upgraded axles
4.5 - Extreme	All of 4.0 plus Tight squeezes, Steep inclines/off camber, Waterfalls, Narrow shelf roads	All of 4.0 plus Modified 4-wheel drive, 33" tires or larger recommended	All of 4.0 plus Winch, Spotter may be required, Body armor	All of 4.0 plus Upgraded axles, Upgraded suspension, Full body armor, Upgraded tie rods, Upgraded steering
5.0 - Technical	All of 4.5 plus Large rock ledges, Crevices, Steep rock climbs, Very few alternate routes, Steep waterfalls, Roll over possible	All of 4.5 plus Fully modified vehicle, Rock crawler, Buggy, 35" tires or larger, 37" tires or larger recommended	All of 4.5 plus Hard locker in front and rear differential, Spotter required, Upgraded axles	All of 4.5 plus Spare parts, Winching capabilities. Winching experience

Note: The ASA4WDC is not responsible for any damage or injury due to this trail rating system. This is a recommended trail rating guide, not all drivers or vehicles are the same.

Not all trail ratings are the same, some clubs and organizations use a 10 scale. The ASA4WDC has used a 5 scale for many, many years.

These ratings can loosely be applied to ROV's, UTV's and Side by Sides.