



## About This Property

Frost Farm is located near the North Woods Office and Frost Farm Condominium complex off of North Road, right on the town line with neighboring Concord. The site contains vast open meadows interspersed with and surrounded by forest. When completed, the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail will follow the right-of-way formerly used by the Framingham and Lowell Railroad. This enters Sudbury from Concord, then runs along the western edge of the property.

This land was formerly known as Briardale Farm. It was purchased in the 1920s by one Mr. Levenstein, who converted an existing farm house into a mansion. This would eventually be rebuilt after being destroyed in a fire. He used the land to raise racehorses until 1932, when he sold it to one Mr. Frost, a wealthy gentleman farmer. The horse stable was converted into a poultry barn, and the land was used to raise sheep. The property changed hands several times in the late 20th century, until the town purchased the house and grounds in 1992. The house, being in disrepair, was demolished in 2019.

The Frost Farm trail begins in a gently rolling field, dotted here and there with trees. The trunk trail leads immediately northwest across the uppermost field, crossing an old irrigation ditch, before proceeding into the woods and onwards to Concord. An alternative loop trail leads you in a southerly direction, where the fields can get muddy or flooded at the lowest points. Beyond the meadow, you enter a forest characterized by moderate slopes. The trail bends sharply around a prominent outcropping of bedrock. There are two bridges crossing the streams.

Parking is at the picnic area on the left as you drive up Frost Farm Village Road. Please do not enter Frost Farm Village.

## Land Use Regulations

- Conservation Land is open to the public ½ hour before sunrise until ½ hour after sunset.
- No trails shall be cut or marked, nor dams built, nor any structure such as lean-tos, bridges, towers or handrails constructed.
- No person shall cut, break, remove, deface, defile, or ill-use any rock, building, fence, bench, bog bridge, sign or other structure or property, or have possession of any part thereof.
- Depositing or leaving rubbish, litter, demolition or yard debris, garbage, excavated fill or any hazardous waste is prohibited.
- No person shall engage in business, sell, or expose for sale, post, place, or give away any goods, wares or circulars.
- Fishing, trapping, catching, injuring, destroying or interfering in any way with birds, reptiles, amphibians, mammals or any other wild animals is prohibited.
- Hunting prohibited except as permitted by the Conservation Commission.
- Horse riding is allowed on designated trails. The Conservation Commission reserves the right to close any trails to horses at any time should trail conditions warrant closure. Riders are expected to remove any horse waste from the trails and not dispose of it in any wetland area. Groups of more than five riders or organized horseback activities require a permit from the Commission.
- Dogs shall be restrained in accordance with the Public Safety Bylaw (Article V, Section 3). More than 4 dogs per person shall require written permission from the Conservation Commission. Dog owners/ walkers are expected to remove any dog waste from the property. Dog owners/walkers shall yield to horse riders and other trail users. All dog waste must be removed from the property and properly disposed of.
- Possessing or consuming any alcoholic beverage is prohibited.
- Possession of weapons or the discharge of firearms, firecrackers, rockets, sparklers, or fireworks is prohibited, except as permitted by the Conservation Commission.
- No motorized vehicles of any kind are allowed except for government emergency vehicles or vehicles authorized, in writing, by the Conservation Commission.
- Bicycles are permitted on designated trails only. The Conservation Commission reserves the right to close any trails to bicycles at any time should trail conditions warrant closure.
- Public nudity is prohibited.
- Swimming and wading is prohibited.
- All trash, litter, cans, refuse, bottles etc. shall be removed from the land by the user and disposed of or recycled properly.
- No glass bottles or containers or any kind are permitted on conservation land.
- Please park to maximize the space available. Please do not block the emergency entrance gate.
- Camping permitted by permit. Open fires are prohibited.

*A fine of not more than \$100.00 per day shall be imposed for any violation of these regulations, or of a permit issued under these regulations, according to the following schedule: \$150 for a second offense, and \$200.00 for a third or subsequent offense. These fines may be imposed, under the provisions of MGL Chapter 40 Section 21D, by the Police or by Commission members or staff. Each day shall constitute a new offense.*

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## Trail Guide



## Town of Sudbury Conservation Commission



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