



## **New Users**

The Australian X-Trail Forum is hosted by a forum hosting service called Runboard.com

In order to be able to contribute and submit your own posts and reply to others, you will need to sign up and become a registered user of Runboard.

**NOTE: All new users are required to make their first post in the [INTRODUCTIONS](#) section of the forum to gain membership and have their user-name added to the Members List. You will not be able to make a post or ask a question anywhere else on the forum without making that first intro. post. This is VERY important.**

Your introduction post should include basic details such as:

1. X-Trail model type (if you have one)
2. Your location (Country and/or State and City)
3. Your first name.
4. How did you find our forum (i.e. search engine or word of mouth)

When making a post in the Introductions section of the forum you will be asked to fill-in an application form (see below) and include the following details in the form which will be sent to the Admin Team for review and approval, please make sure all details are included in the application form to speed-up the approval process and get you on board as a member. Incomplete application forms will be rejected and will cause further delays to you becoming a member of our forum.

**When your application form is approved, you will be notified by email and you will need to log-in to the forum and make your first post in the Introductions Section of the forum.**

**The Australian X-Trail Forum is vehemently opposed to spam, popup ads, spyware and similarly shady advertising techniques. Your privacy is important to us; we will not disclose your email address or your personal information to a commercial third party without your express consent.**

Sorry, no access.  
The reason is you don't have access to the board.  
You must be a member of this board in order to write.  
The membership is attained on a application/approval basis.

Please enter comments and hit the button to send your application to the administrators of the board.

Runboard username:

Registration email:

Real name:

Your location:

If you have:

- 1) read the X-TRAIL Forum Rules,
- 2) fully understand those rules, and
- 3) agree to abide by them while being a member of our forum,

please type "I agree" below your real name before submitting this application.

Thank you for your interest. You will receive an email to let you know when we've made our decision.

**Registration to Runboard is FREE of charge.**

To Sign up, click here:

**NEW USERS  
CLICK HERE**

**Please Note: You do not need to be a registered user if you just want to view and read the forum.**



**The terms WE and US refer to Australian X-Trail Forum.**



**Even though we will make the best possible effort you must recognise due to the real-time nature of this forum: we cannot always monitor the contents of posted**

messages and we depend upon you to inform us when participants or their messages are violating our policy as stated here. You also recognise that we cannot respond immediately to such notices and that some time may pass before any warranted action is taken.



### **Treat others how you would like done to you**

If you stumble across a newbie having trouble with technical stuff you've mastered, share your knowledge and help 'em out. Someone has probably helped you like this in the past and this is your chance to give back like a good citizen!



### **We encourage an exchange of opinions**

After all that's what a forum is, if you disagree with someone's post, challenge it respectfully without attacking the individual. "Flaming" and insults, however, won't be tolerated, and will be removed.



### **Respect personal information**

Never post your or anyone else's personal information in the public forum (phone number, email address, mailing address, etc.) and never ask others for their personal info. Posts requesting personal info will be removed. This includes, but is not limited to, communications that ask for personal information such as email address, address, telephone numbers, etc. Please use the PM function when submitting any of your own personal details to other members but still exercise care and common sense as we will not take any responsibility in the way your information is used by other members you have chosen to share with.

The forum rules are very clear in this regard and the following information is not allowed to be included in any of your posts on the forum:

- 1. Personal Mobile and Land-line Numbers.**
- 2. Personal Email Addresses.**

The display of REGO PLATES in photos posted on the forum is allowed if you are

sharing a photo of your own car, however you will need to be mindful when posting a photo of a group and you will need to seek permission from all members in the photo regarding the display of their rego/number plates.

This rule has been put in place for your own privacy protection and to avoid any nasty type of emails, phone calls and visits to your place.

You need to realize that this is a public forum, so not only registered members of our board are viewing these details (which is completely fine) but strangers will see these details too.

We don't want to take the chance for our forum to be responsible in any way, shape or form for any type of abuse and/or misconducted as a result of these personal details being displayed and I would appreciate your full cooperation in complying with the above.

The forum offers each registered member of the forum the ability to communicate with other members of the board using the forum PM (Private Message) and Email (Private Email) features, which are located in your Control Panel. Please make use of these features to communicate with one another.

At no point you should be asking a member or forcing them to give you their personal details. This will be considered a direct violation of our forum rules and if reported to the Admin Team, will result in immediate disciplinary action against you and may result in your forum account to get terminated.

Thank you for your understanding.



### **Do not**

- Don't complete posts in CAPS. It looks like you are shouting.
- Try to avoid **ugly colours**.
- Don't quote the entire message that you're responding to, only the pertinent passage.



## **Double Posting / Spamming**

Don't create new posts straight after you have added a reply to a thread just for the sake of it, or because you want to get a higher post count for your profile. If you have forgotten to say something or your last post needs correcting, and it is less than **24Hrs** old, then use the **EDIT** feature and fix up your post. The only exception is if somebody has replied to you in the meantime, then you can create a new post to respond back.

Double posting effectively increases the length of the thread and adds clutter which consequently makes finding information much more difficult.



## **PM's (Private Messages)**

Currently each member has a limit of 200 PM's in their inbox. If someone sends you a PM and your inbox is full, the PM will be lost with no notification. So be careful with your inbox, and delete PM's regularly.



## **External Links and URLs**

Members are advised to pay close attention to any links they decide to include as part of their post on our forum. Such links should NOT contain:

- Any offensive, sexual and political content.
- Any non-XTrail or 4WD related linkage is not permitted.
- Commercial advertising of a Business without prior permission from the Administrator of the Australian X-Trail Forum.
- Linking to other 4WD clubs or websites without meeting the link exchange conditions stated [HERE](#)
- **eBay Linkage is prohibited on our forum mainly due to the fact that these eBay links do expire and become useless if used as a reference in your posts. Please do NOT include any eBay links in your posts.**
- Links to products and/or accessories that are already available on offer as part of the forum On Line X-Trail Shop.



### **Political & Religious Content**

Please note that due to the sensitive situation around the globe in terms of political and religious matters, all posts containing views and discussions on these two subjects will be removed from the forum.

Our forum is 4WD & AWD related and we would like to keep it that way, leaving politics and religion aside.

Our version of politics and religion is the X-Trail



### **Illegal Activity & Requests**

Please note that the Australian X-Trail Forum does not support or condone illegal activity of any type.

Posts containing such requests and/or information, will be removed on the spot, repeat offenders will have their account suspended!



### **In Summary**

Use your common sense. Forum posts that contain harassing, offensive, vulgar, obscene, sexual, abusive, hateful, or otherwise unacceptable communications and/or images, including messages that condone illegal activity, will not be tolerated and will be removed. Individuals who don't abide by these rules may have their account permanently deleted.

## **Disclaimer**

The information contained in this website is not cross referenced, so don't take it as gospel. Copies of articles from other sites are included here to avoid out-of-date linkage errors, and the authors and original URLs are credited where known.

A person/member posting specific details about a business and/or dealership is fully responsible for the content of that post.

Should this lead to a legal action being taken against such claims, Australian X-Trail Forum will take no part or involvement in such cases and the member will be fully responsible to resolve this matter outside of this forum.

## **Forum Content Copyright**

Please note that the content (Club Sticker, forum content, posts, rules and photos..etc) remains the property of the person that made the post and consequently the property of the Australian X-Trail Forum. This content "may not, in whole or in part, be copied" unless with prior written permission from the board owner and head administrator.

Should you wish to copy content please email the Australian X-Trail Forum on: <mailto:admin@australianxtrail.com.au>

## **Important Information regarding Meet-ups, Events & Off-Road Trips**

The Australian X-Trail Forum requests all event organizers to clearly display and post a link to the existing "warning message" which can be found [HERE](#).

This link should appear in the first post of every off-road (or beach) event that is being organized through the forum.

We appreciate your help in enforcing this rule and ask that all current

scheduled and/or planned off-road events are updated to include this information.

A detailed set of trip rules regarding off-road outings can also be found [HERE](#)

### **Forum Group Buy Policy**

A group-buy through the forum is certainly possible if the following takes place:

1. There is enough interest to start-up a group-buy.
2. One of the existing members of the forum who has implemented a mod or is offering a part and/or accessory provides a brief summary of what is involved (parts, costs..etc) to the forum Administrator/s.
3. A member volunteers to coordinate this group-buy and be the central point of contact for all those who take part in it.

The Administrator/s will give that member permission to approach the manufacturer on behalf of the Australian X-Trail Forum and the ability to negotiate using the forum name.

All financial transactions can only be arranged by the Head Administrator to minimize risks, so any other group-buy which the admin is not involved in, would need to take place whereby participants pay the manufacturer/supplier direct.

**Members are NOT authorized to negotiate deals with manufacturers or otherwise using the Australian X-Trail Forum name without prior permission of the forum administrator/s. Failure to do so may result in membership cancellation.**

***Members need to be mindful and aware that international group-buy transactions carry an element of risk and may in some cases result in***



*sellers not delivering a product. While the Australian X-Trail Forum would make every effort to minimize such risk, it does exist and it can happen, so please use your own judgment.*

For further questions, please ask: <mailto:admin@australianxtrail.com.au>

## **Forum Membership Structure**

Dear Members of the Australian X-Trail Forum,

Our forum has been running since 2004 and offering you and many other X-Trail owners worldwide a fantastic source of information, guidance and help to make your ownership of the great Nissan X-Trail enjoyable for the many years of driving.

This service has been offered to you **FREE OF CHARGE** and unlike other clubs and associations, we do NOT charge Ongoing Membership Fees!

We would like it to remain this way and the same time, we would also like to have our members support our forum financially if they so choose, such financial support will help the Administrators with the running costs associated with running this forum and at the same time unlocking access to great deals and discounts which can benefit you directly.

These funds are also used to organize raffles, contribute to organized forum events and outings...etc, so in essence some of these funds would eventually find its way back to you or your fellow member in one form or another.

For us to sustain this level of service it has become necessary to introduce a 3-tier membership structure within the forum as follows:

**1. Regular Membership:** This type of membership will allow you to view, post questions and replies in all sections of the forum, EXCEPT the **Forum Classifieds & Forum Discounts and Members Rides** sections. You will need the Full Membership to gain access to this section.

**2. Casual Membership:** Sorry, this type of membership is no longer available.

**3. Full Membership:** This type of membership will give unrestricted read and write access to ALL sections of the forum and the benefit of viewing the Discounts & Classifieds section of the forum to score great deals, discount offers and be part of organized Group-Buys for parts, accessories and other X-Trail and car related items. The only area this type of membership will not be able to access, is the Admin Forum section which is locked for Admin use.

All members wishing to have the Full Membership status assigned to their username to gain unrestricted access to the Forum which includes the Classifieds & Discounts section of the forum will be required to support our forum and make a one-off purchase from the following Full Membership Packs

We will NOT be pressuring you to make any further donations while you are a member of our forum and this is not the way we would operate.

This purchase is a one-off and will not be requested again, unless you personally request additional forum stickers for your own use and enjoyment.

The Full Membership Pack options are listed [HERE](#)

Fill in your request to gain full membership and your choice of the membership pack and you will be sent a PM/Email with bank account details to make payment for your membership pack.

Your Full Membership and access to this forum section will be approved as soon as your payment is received and we will post your membership pack at the same time.

You will also need to email us your postal address so we know where to send the membership pack, so as soon as you finish filling in the above online request, send us an email to: <mailto:admin@australianxtrail.com.au> and don't forget to always include your Forum Username when you communicate with us.

Please follow the membership application process outlined above.

***Note to Existing Members of the Australian X-Trail Forum:***

This new Membership Structure will apply to all members who joined on or after the 1st of November, 2007

The Forum Classifieds & Discounts members list will now be cleared from all usernames appearing in it to enforce this membership rule, but as an existing member and if you joined the forum BEFORE 01.11.2007

**your username will be approved on the spot as soon as you submit the membership application above. No fees or membership packs will be necessary.**

**We do however hope that all existing members take note of our need for your support and financial contribution and there is no better way to show this type of support than purchasing the forum promotional items (stickers, hats and caps) which will help us financially and give you something nice in return.**

**Thanks,  
Admin Team  
Australian X-Trail Forum**