

**THE FLORIDA TRAIL  
END TO END HIKERS DESIGNATION**

The Florida Trail Association confers the designation END TO END on any individual who affirms they have walked end to end on the Florida Trail. The policy gives equal recognition to through hikers and section hikers alike. The Florida Trail Association assumes that those who apply for END TO END status have hiked every mile of the Florida Thru Trail including any roadway connectors. Alternate trails are considered viable substitutes to the orange blazed trail in an emergency such as flooding or severe storms, which have made the trail impassable. Parallel road walks are accepted as alternative routes when conditions put the hiker in peril. The sequence, direction, speed, length of time taken to finish and whether one carries a back pack or not are not considered issues.

Note: The Florida Trail has been in transition for the past 25 years. Therefore, it will not be necessary for anyone who walked the trail before the end of 1999 to have completed all the road walks and consideration will be given as to the location of the Florida Thru Trail terminus changes.

**Definitions:**

**Thru Hiker** – is a person who is attempting to hike end to end within a year in a single continuous journey by hiking from one terminus of the Florida Thru Trail to the other.

**Section Hiker** – is a person who is attempting to hike all of the Florida Trail in segments, over a period of time. The length of time, sequence of segments, and direction of travel on each segment are not considered issues.

**END TO END STATUS APPLICATION**

To: Florida Trail Association  
5415 SW 13 ST  
Gainesville, FL 32608

From: Legal Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Trail Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to inform the Florida Trail Association that I have hiked end to end on the Florida Trail and wish to apply for an END TO END patch and have my hike recorded with the Florida Trail Association.

I started my hike on: \_\_\_\_\_ and ended my hike on \_\_\_\_\_

I was a through hiker \_\_\_\_\_ section hiker \_\_\_\_\_ (Check one)

I hiked Lake Okeechobee: on the west side \_\_\_\_\_ east side \_\_\_\_\_ (Check one)

I hiked: the western route \_\_\_\_\_ the eastern route \_\_\_\_\_ in central Florida. (Check one)

I hiked: Santa Rosa Island \_\_\_\_\_ the Alabama border \_\_\_\_\_. (Check one)

I wish to share my journal or some of my experiences on the trail with the Florida Trail Association and give them permission to publish same in literature they publish or have published. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_