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LAKE ARLANN HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

SAFETY RULES & OPERATING PROCEDURES & REGULATIONS

A. GENERAL

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All of us are concerned with the safety of our lake regardless of whether our interests are in swimming, boating, fishing or water skiing. It is therefore very important that we practice common sense and courtesy; and that we respect the rights of the other fellow when participating in one of these water sports. Following this policy and the basic rules outlined below, we feel that our lake will be a safer place for our families and friends.

The boats on Lake Arlann are subject to the Illinois Boat Registration and Safety Act. That Act includes certain registration, certification, and equipping requirements and certain operating rules and regulations. The owners of all boats on Lake Arlann must comply with the State-mandated requirements, whether arising under the Act or under rules and regulations adopted by the Illinois Department of Conservation pursuant to authority granted to the Department by the Act. The Safety Rules and Standard operating Procedures and Regulations adopted by the Lake Arlann Homeowners Association supplement the State-mandated requirements. Be certain that your boats, the equipment on your boats and the use of your boats comply not only with the State-mandated requirements but also the Lake Arlann Homeowners Association requirements.

Be sure that you, your family and any friends or guests who will be skiing or driving a boat, read and are familiar with these safety rules. Remember you are responsible for and liable for the actions of your guests. Keep this copy for future reference. Extra copies can be obtained from any member of the Board of Directors.

B. SWIMMING

- 1. Swim parallel to the shore instead of out into the lake.
- 2. Don't swim alone.
- 3. Do not swim after dark. Remember night time boaters can't see you.
- 4. Learn to swim and teach your children to swim as soon as possible.

C. BOATING

- 1. Drive counter-clockwise around the lake.
- 2. Stay at least 100 feet from shorelines, docks and swimmers.
- 3. Do not "buzz" other boats, swimmers, fishermen, skiers or docks. "Buzzing is very dangerous and is prohibited".

4. No person under 10 years of age may operate a motorboat. A person 10 or 11 years old may operate a motorboat if they are accompanied by a parent or guardian or a person at least 18 years old and designated by the parent or guardian. A person 12 thru 17 years of age is under the same operating restrictions as a 10 or 11 year old unless they have a Boating Safety Certificate issued by the Department of conservation, authorizing them to operate motorboats.
5. If you cannot swim, wear a life jacket while fishing or riding in a boat. A possible alternative to this is to tie a life jacket or cushion to you with a 3 or 4 ft length of cord, so in an emergency if you end up in the water the flotation device comes in with you.
6. A non-powered craft (row boat, canoe or sailboat) has the right-of-way at all times.
7. Non-powered craft should use discretion so as not to create a dangerous traffic jam of larger boats and skiers.
8. When two crafts are approaching each other head-on, each veers to the right. Stay on the right hand side of the "road", just as you would do on the highway.
9. Grant the right-of-way to a boat approaching from an angle on your right hand side. Again, this is the same application as the right-of-way rule at a street intersection in a car. If the boat approaches from your left, you have the right-of-way.
10. In overtaking and passing another boat, it is your duty to stay clear. The boat being overtaken has the right-of-way and the choice of direction.
11. Don't overload your boat. This is a very dangerous violation.
12. Abide by the maximum horsepower limit as specified by our By-laws:
 - a. Outboard engine.....85 HP
 - b. Inboard engine.....100 HP
13. Abide by the maximum boat sizes as specified by our By-laws:
 - a. Powered boats (excluding pontoon boats).....17 feet.
 - b. Pontoon boats.....24 feet.
 - c. Non-powered boats.....18 feet.
14. Abide by the maximum speed limits as specified by our By-laws:
 - a. 10 AM to 10 PM.....30 MPH.
 - b. 10 PM to 10 AM.....5 MPH.
15. Decals, a must for all boats, are to be placed on the right side of the boat at the rear of the registration number. You may put them on your car/trucks, also.

D SKIING

1. Wear life jacket or belt at all times when water skiing.
2. There must be two (2) capable people in the ski-boat. The passenger handles the ski-rope, watches the skier and watches to the rear of the boat. The driver watches to front and to the sides of the boat.
3. Don't follow too close to another skier. Stay at least 100 feet away.
4. When a skier falls, the boat should immediately go back to cover him. If, for some reason a skier is alone in the water he should hold up a ski so other boats will be able to see him.
5. Skiers should land parallel to the shore. Do not try to land perpendicular to the shore or towards a dock.
6. When in the water, don't get close to the prop.
7. Water skiing is prohibited later than one-half hour after sunset.

E WINTERTIME

1. Snowmobiles, motorbikes and all other vehicles operating on the ice should follow the same general rules as boats.
2. Ice Safety
 - a. Under no condition should a hole larger than six inches in diameter be chopped in the ice. a large hole, partially frozen over could have disastrous effects when encountered by children, pets, or skaters.
 - b. When the ice first freezes, the ice in the shallow areas along the shore are often thicker than the deep areas.
 - c. If the lake level rises rapidly, the shore area will be open water or thin ice.
 - d. Underground springs keep the ice thin in some areas or it may not freeze at all. This will result in open water surrounded by relatively thick ice.
 - e. Holes in the ice can result from the reflected rays of the sun on metal objects, such as barrels. This frequently happens around docks.
 - f. Watch for ducks--even when the ice is very thick, they will maintain an area of open water.

F MISCELLANEOUS REGULATIONS

1. Guest Boats:

- a. Guest boats must be actually visiting at the house of the host and not just using the lake.
- b. Guest boats and motors must not exceed the limits specified in the By-laws.
- c. The maximum number of guest boats per family at any one time is one.

2. Outlot Use:

- a. No overnight parking or storage of boats, motors, trailers, or any other vehicles is permitted on the Outlots.
- b. The use of the Outlots is restricted to the hours between 7:00 A.M. and 10:00 P.M.
- c. All litter shall be taken home or placed in the appropriate garbage can if one is available.
- d. Do not block the launching ramp on Outlot A.
- e. A maximum of two cars and trailers to be parked on Outlot A while the boats are in the water. Any in excess of this should be parked on the street.

3. Boats shall be registered and identification decals issued by the Board of Directors. The decals shall be displayed on the sides of all boats following the State registration number.

4. Boats and motors which are larger than the maximum size specified in the By-laws, but were already on the lake at the time the size limitations were added to the By-laws, have ten years to be phased-out. After January 28, 1985 all boats and motors shall abide by the limitations specified in the By-laws.

5. A Security Officer shall be hired or appointed by the Board of Directors to assist in the enforcement of the Rules and Regulations.