



OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF PARKS AND WATERCRAFT
DOCK CONSTRUCTION PERMIT APPLICATION

Application to construct a Dock, or place Associated Equipment, on or over waters of the State under the administration of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks and Watercraft

Ohio Administrative Rules 1501:46-2-08; 1501:46-12-12; 1501:46-2-31

Instructions:

1. This Application must be submitted to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks and Watercraft (the "Division") at the State Park office (the "Park Office").
2. All information submitted with this Application must be in dark ink and must include:
 - a. A detailed map indicating the exact location of the Dock;
 - b. All dimensions of the proposed Dock and/or Associated Equipment on the **Dock Sketch Sheet** attached to this Application;
 - c. Construction drawings providing sufficient detail to evaluate the structural integrity of the proposed Dock and/or Associated Equipment, including overall dimensions, structural framework, anchorage, floatation (if applicable), distance of pile location, and a comprehensive materials list. Repairs that do not alter the basic construction of the Dock or Associated Equipment do not require the submission of such construction drawings.
3. All Applicants must read and agree to the attached **Dock Construction Rules and Conditions** contained in this Application.
4. An application fee of \$25.00 is payable to the Division at the time this Application is submitted per Ohio Administrative Rule 1501:46-2-31.



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APPLICATION

Applicant Name _____ Mailing Address _____ City/Zip _____

County/Township _____ Phone Number _____ Email _____

Contractor's Name _____ Mailing Address _____ City/Zip _____ Phone Number _____ Email _____

Proposed Starting Date: _____ Anticipated Completion Date: _____

Type of Dock and Associated Equipment: () Dock () Associated Equipment
(specify) _____

Dimensions of Dock (Length and Width): _____

Number of Watercraft for which an Annual Dock License will be required: _____

I have read and agree to the **Dock Construction Rules and Conditions** contained in this Application. I agree that any construction, replacement, modification or repair to a Dock and/or Associated Equipment, whether following the standard plans and specifications of the Division, or other plans and specifications, must be approved in writing, and I will not begin construction, replacement, modification, or repair until I receive the Dock Construction Permit from the Division.

If a Dock Construction Permit is not issued and construction, replacement, modification, or repair that will alter the basic construction of the Dock and/or Associated Equipment has begun, I will remove, at my expense, the Dock, Associated Equipment, and/or Watercraft within the time specified by the Division. If I fail to remove the Dock, Associated Equipment, and/or Watercraft, I will reimburse the Division for any and all expenses incurred by the Division for its removal, and I waive any and all claims for reimbursement from the State of Ohio, ODNR, and the Division and their employees, contractors and agents for such removal and any alleged resulting damage or injury.

I explicitly acknowledge that a Dock Construction Permit may be denied. I further acknowledge that the issuance of the Dock Construction Permit does not relieve my duty to continue to obtain an Annual Dock License, pay the applicable and outstanding fees, and comply with all other applicable laws, rules and regulations. The **Dock Construction Rules and Conditions** for a Dock Construction Permit issued pursuant to this Application, and any subsequent Dock Construction Permit and Annual Dock License, supersede any previous permit issued for the Dock and/or Associated Equipment subject to this Application.

Applicant's Signature _____

Date _____



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DOCK CONSTRUCTION RULES AND CONDITIONS

DEFINITIONS:

For purposes of this Dock Construction Permit Application, the following definitions apply:

1. "Applicant" means a person who has applied for a Dock Construction Permit.
2. "Division" means the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks and Watercraft.
3. "Chief" means the Chief of the Division.
4. "Permittee" means a person to whom a Dock Construction Permit has been issued.
5. "Dock" means a floating or rigidly supported, platform-like structure that extends from the shoreline over, on or into the water, used to secure and provide access to one or more Watercraft.
6. "Associated Equipment" means equipment or fixture attached to, affixed or used in conjunction with a Dock for the docking, mooring, lifting, lowering or covering of a Watercraft, including gangplanks.
7. "Dock Construction Permit" means a permit issued by the Chief, allowing the construction, installation, replacement, modification, or repair of a Dock and/or Associated Equipment.
8. "Dock Tag" means a metal plate imprinted with a numeric identifier that shall be affixed to the Dock by the Division after compliance with a Dock Construction Permit has been confirmed by the Division.
9. "Annual Dock License" means a license issued by the Chief, allowing the anchoring, mooring, docking or securing of Watercraft to a Dock for one boating season, as determined by the Chief.

RULES AND CONDITIONS:

1. The Division shall have the right to terminate a Dock Construction Permit by giving the Permittee a 24-hour notice, in writing, prior to such termination. The Permittee shall be entitled to a refund of fees paid; however, no refund shall be made if termination of a Dock Construction Permit is due to the Permittee's violation of any statute, administrative rule, Division policy or practice, or the Rules and Conditions of the Dock Construction Permit.
2. The Division reserves the right to raise or lower the pool level of the Lake at any time it deems necessary and to order temporary or permanent removal of the Dock, Associated Equipment and/or Watercraft. The Division is under no obligation to maintain the Lake at a specific level. The Permittee shall not be entitled to any reimbursement for any damage that may result from raising or lowering the water level.
3. Compliance with a Dock Construction Permit issued by the Division does not relieve the Permittee of any other obligation imposed by law.
4. No garbage cans, garbage, refuse, construction materials, sewage, or waste material of any kind shall be thrown, deposited, or permitted to fall into the Lake or upon the Dock, piers, gang planks, walkways, shore or other areas on or in proximity to the Dock, nor shall the Dock and/or Associated Equipment be used by the Permittee as a storage place for any gear or equipment. Signs, placards, and commercial displays are prohibited on the Dock and Associated Equipment.
5. All lumber used in the construction of Dock must be designed for minimum live load of 85 pounds per square foot (psf). If a floating dock is to be constructed, the live load can be reduced to 30 psf. No oil drums will be permitted as floatation. Only factory-built cylinders with Styrofoam fill will be allowed. The use of creosote or (Penta) treated lumber is prohibited.
6. The Permittee agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the State of Ohio, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), the Division, and their employees and agents against any claim for injury or damage to the person or property of the Permittee and persons present on, or using, the Dock, Associated Equipment and/or Watercraft at the invitation, request, order or permission of the Permittee.



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7. The Permittee waives any and all claims of reimbursement and compensation for damage or injury arising from any action taken by the State of Ohio, ODNR, Division and their employees and agents pursuant to these Rules and the statutes and regulations governing docks.
8. The Permittee shall reimburse and compensate the State of Ohio, ODNR and the Division and their employees and agents for any damages or injury incurred as the result of the Permittee's failure to comply with the terms of the Dock Construction Permit.
9. The issuance of an Annual Dock License shall not authorize the construction, replacement, modification repair or removal of any Dock and/or Associated Equipment. The Division may require the removal of any Dock and or Associated Equipment for which a Dock Construction Permit has not been issued, and if all such items are not removed by the owner , the Division implement the removal of such items at the owner's expense.
10. The issuance of a Dock Construction Permit shall not permit the docking, mooring or tying-up of Watercraft to a Dock. A Permittee must have a valid, current Annual Dock License in order to dock, moor or tie-up Watercraft to a Dock. The issuance of an Annual Dock License shall be demonstrated by mylar stickers, issued by the Division, one of which shall be placed on the Dock Tag, and one or more other mylar stickers which shall be placed on the Watercraft(s).
11. The Division may, at all reasonable times and without prior notice, enter into and upon the Dock and/or Associated Equipment to determine if the Permittee is complying with the terms of the Dock Construction Permit and the Ohio statutes and regulations governing docks.
12. All Docks, Associated Equipment and Watercraft must be maintained by the Permittee as required by Ohio Revised Code, Ohio Administrative Code and rules of the State Park and the Rules and Conditions of this Dock Construction Permit application. Docks and/or Associated Equipment requiring replacement shall be replaced, repaired or reconstructed according to Division specifications. In the event a Dock or Associated Equipment, in the opinion of the Division, is in such disrepair as to create a danger to public safety, the Permittee, upon request of the Division, shall either remove the Dock and/or Associated Equipment or submit an application for a Dock Construction Permit to make the appropriate repair or replacement. If the application is denied or if the Permittee fails to take the required action within the time required by the Division, the Division may cause the Dock, Associated Equipment and/or Watercraft be removed at the Permittee's expense.
13. Upon completion of the construction, replacement, modification and/or repair of a Dock and/or Associated Equipment the Permittee shall notify the Division at the Park Office. The Division shall conduct an inspection of the completed Dock and/or Associated Equipment. If the construction, replacement, modification or repair of the Dock and/or Associated Equipment is approved by the Division as compliant with the Dock Construction Permit, the Division shall issue a Dock Tag that shall be displayed at a prominent location.
14. After the initial Dock Construction Permit is issued and approved as compliant, before any additional construction, replacement, modification or repair of a Dock or Associated Equipment that modifies the basic structure of the Dock is commenced, a new Application for a new Dock Construction Permit must be approved by the Division. If owner of the Dock or Associated Equipment fails to apply for and obtain the required Dock Construction Permit prior to commencing any construction, replacement, modification or repair of a Dock will result in the owner's required removal of the Dock, Associated Equipment and/or Watercraft, at the owner's expense. If the owner does not remove the Dock, Associated Equipment and/or Watercraft within the time required by the Division, the Division may have the Dock, Associated Equipment and/or Watercraft removed and disposed. The Permittee agrees not to seek reimbursement for the cost of removal, for the value of any Dock, Associated Equipment or Watercraft removed due to noncompliance and agrees to reimburse the Division for all costs the Division incurs insuring compliance.



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PERMIT

Dock Construction Permit

() APPROVED

() DISAPPROVED

_____ (“Permittee”) is hereby authorized to construct, replace, modify, or repair the subject Dock and/or Associated Equipment in accordance with the information provided on the submitted Dock Construction Permit Application dated _____ and the **Dock Construction Rules and Conditions** contained therein.

This Dock Construction Permit is valid for the period beginning on _____ and ending on _____.

The permitted Dock and/or Associated Equipment will be located at _____ in _____.

The permitted construction, replacement, modification, or repair will be completed by _____, or this Dock Construction Permit shall become invalid.

The Permittee is subject to all applicable laws, administrative rules, policies, and practices of the State of Ohio and the Division of Parks and Watercraft and to the Rules and Conditions set forth in the Dock Construction Permit Application.

The requirements of this Dock Construction Permit, and any subsequent Dock Construction Permits, supersede any previous Dock Construction Permit issued for the same Dock and/or Associated Equipment.

The Dock Tag issued pursuant to this Dock Construction Permit shall be displayed on a prominent location on the Dock, where it shall remain displayed at all times.

Additional Conditions:

Chief, ODNR Division of Parks and Watercraft or designee

Date