



## ~ LIVING AT THE LAKE ~

### WHAT YOU CAN DO TO KEEP OUR LAKE ENVIRONMENT CLEAN & SAFE

#### PREVENT INVASIVE SPECIES

*Invasive aquatic species are brought in on boats, trailers, kayaks, canoes and fishing gear from infested water bodies. So, please:*

- Clean, Drain and Dry your boat, trailer, kayak, canoe and fishing gear after use
- Ask a Lake Host at our boat ramp for a courtesy inspection
- Find more info at [www.lakearmington.org](http://www.lakearmington.org)

#### PROTECT WILDLIFE

- Enjoy our loons but please do not follow them closely, disturb them or their nests
- If a loon calls out in alarm or rears up and flaps its wings, it means “back off!” This applies to both boaters and swimmers
- When fishing, use gear that won’t harm loons or other wildlife
- Do not use lead sinkers or leave behind tangled fishing line.

#### SOUND TRAVELS

- All sounds travel readily and clearly across our mountain lake
- Neighbors may easily hear more than we realize
- Sounds, such as dogs persistently barking and loud music, can ruin others’ enjoyment of the lake.

#### WATER QUALITY – keep our lake clean

*Many cottages get their household water directly from the lake. We enjoy swimming in it. So, please*

- Do not feed ducks and geese, to prevent droppings on shore, docks, and floats
- Bathe and do laundry in the house, not in the lake
- Use biodegradable soap to prevent phosphorous from entering lake water.

#### BOATING SAFETY – NH 150’ RULE

Power boats of 25 HP or more must maintain no wake/headway speed (6 mph) when within 150 feet of:

- Shore, docks, rafts, floats
- Swimmers, permitted swimming areas
- Mooring fields
- Sailboats, kayaks, canoes, rowboats and other vessels.

#### HEADWAY SPEED AREAS

- Headway/No Wake speed is *required* in the Narrows and the smaller part of the lake
- Watch for unmarked rocks, logs and other submerged obstructions, especially near shore, in the Narrows and the smaller part of the lake.

#### NH BOAT REGISTRATION AND OPERATOR REQUIREMENTS

- Boat operators must be 16 or older and have a NH boater education certificate
- Power boats (25+ HP) and sailboats over 12’ must be registered in NH and display bow numbers and stickers.

#### WATER SKIING AND PERSONAL WATERCRAFT

- Water skiing is allowed from sunup to sundown in NH. Not at dusk or after dark
- Water skiing is not permitted in the smaller part of the lake due to 150’ Rule headway/no wake speed restriction
- A boat operator and a spotter must be in the ski-boat. The spotter must be physically able to assist the person being towed behind the boat
- ALWAYS wear a personal flotation device (PFD) when underway on the water
- Jet-skis and Personal Watercraft are not permitted by law on Lake Armington. Violators are ticketed and fined.

***Thank you for your consideration! Enjoy your time at our beautiful lake!***