

LEWIS LAKE ASSOCIATION REGULATIONS SUMMARY 2024

LAKESIDE ATMOSPHERE: Be respectful of the neighbors

Sound and lights echo and reflect off the water, much more than you may realize. Please be aware and keep the noise and lighting levels as low as possible, especially at night.

Anyone hosting parties should especially take the above issues into account and must use rented portable toilets if appropriate for the size of the party. No trash should end up in the lake.

BOATING & FISHING: The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission

The PFBC has legal jurisdiction over all waters in the state. Owners, guests, and renters must abide by their rules. PFBC wardens come around each summer and will ticket offenders. You should review their full set of boating regulations which can be found at the PFBC website: <http://www.fishandboat.com/boating/regulations>.

Some key PFBC takeaways include:

Motorized watercraft must give way to sailboats; both sailboats and motorized watercraft must give way to hand propelled watercraft such as kayaks, paddleboards, etc.

Life jackets or personal flotation devices (PFDs) must be on the boat for each occupant

Boat operators must have in their possession a Boating Safety Education Certificate

All individuals aged 16 or older must have a valid PA fishing license in their possession to fish for any species of fish, whether fishing from a boat, land, dock, etc.

Refer to the PFBC website for more details about fishing regulations:

<http://www.fishandboat.com/Fishing/Regulations/Documents/2023SummaryBook.pdf#page=10>

In addition to the PFBC, local practices include:

All motorized watercraft must move in a counterclockwise direction when going around the large part of the lake

Motorized watercraft must be operated at no-wake speeds in the neck of the lake going toward the dam, as well as when within 100 feet of any shoreline, docks, floats, swimmers, and other watercraft

The hours between 10AM and 7PM are the only permissible hours for motorized watercraft to operate at wake speeds in the large part of the lake; other hours are reserved for fishing and other non-motorized watercraft, or for motorized watercraft traveling at no-wake speeds

Only put cleaned watercraft (including tubes, etc) into Lewis Lake to avoid introducing invasive species into the lake or nearby grounds (carwashes are an easy way to clean your watercraft)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMPLIANCE!