

## ***RULES FOR LAKE HERON***

### **General:**

- ❖ Check-in time is 2 p.m. and check-out time is 1 p.m. unless prior arrangements have been made.
- ❖ No hunting, shooting or fireworks permitted.
- ❖ Fallen dead branches may be used for firewood. There are plenty!
- ❖ No cutting of live trees; do not place nails or staples into trees.
- ❖ Smoking is permitted only at the campsite, and butts must be disposed of in the fire ring.
- ❖ No alcoholic beverages, except at your campsite and in concealed containers. Drunken and disorderly behavior will not be tolerated.
- ❖ You are responsible for the cost of repairing or replacing property you damage.
- ❖ Do not move the fire rings.
- ❖ Do not bathe or wash dishes in the lake.
- ❖ Keep privy clean. Don't throw anything down the privy except toilet paper.
- ❖ Quiet time after 9:00 p.m. Keep dogs and children quiet. No running of generators.

**Pets:** Pets must be on a leash. Droppings on paths or areas where others walk must be cleaned up. Pets must be well behaved and not be a nuisance to others.

**Horses:** Horses should be kept in a wooded area; manure in areas where people walk, should be cleaned up and thrown into the woods, well away from the picnic and camping areas. Horses should not be watered at the edge of lake, due to trampling the banks. Use a bucket to carry water to the horses.

**Tables:** Do not cut or use any sharp objects on the picnic tables or benches. Tables should be wiped off when finished. Do not place a camp stove on the picnic tables.

### **Fishing:**

- ❖ Do not trample down the embankment (edges) of the lake. Do not leave fishing line, lures, etc. on the ground, or in the boats or water.
- ❖ Largemouth Bass and Catfish are "catch and release". They may be purchased. See rates page.
- ❖ Bluegills may be kept. Fish waste should not be thrown into the lake. Take it into the woods.
- ❖ **Single fishing hooks must have the barbs crushed.** Treble hooks on large lures may have barbs because they are usually not swallowed.
- ❖ Hold fish by the mouth, rather than the body or gills, which may harm the fish. Removed hooks that have been swallowed using a hemostat or needle nose pliers. Try to avoid hurting the fish. If the hook cannot be removed easily, cut the line and release the fish. Don't put it on a stringer and then decide to let it go later. If a Largemouth Bass or Catfish appears to be injured (bleeding) it must be purchased (\$7.50 each).

### **Boating:**

- ❖ Anyone under age 16 and all non-swimmers must wear a life jacket. Buoyant cushions are provided for each boat. No standing or rowdy behavior in the boats.
- ❖ Dock boats at the docks only. Passengers may not board or disembark along the shoreline. Do not run any boat up on the concrete area.
- ❖ Keep peddleboats out of shallow water and water lilies. They get wrapped around the paddles.
- ❖ All boats must be returned clean.

**Swim platform and docks:** No fishing or rowdy behavior on docks or swim platform. Absolutely no diving or jumping from the docks.

**Swimming:** Parents must take responsibility for ALL children wading and swimming. They must have constant supervision and wear a floatation device if they cannot swim!! Owners will not accept liability for injuries or death which results from wading, swimming or boating.

**Mohawk Cabin:** No cooking, smoking, open candles, or pets inside of cabin. Cabin & porch should be swept before leaving.

**Erie Pavilion:** Keep road access open. No parking on dam. Stay off of back slope of dam.

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