

RULES FOR LAKE HERON

General:

- No shooting or fireworks permitted.
- Do not cut or damage 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 own camper or campsite and in concealed containers.
- You are responsible for the cost of repairing or replacing property you damage.

Camping:

- Check-in time is 2 p.m. and check-out time is 1 p.m. unless prior arrangements have been made.
- A biodegradable, phosphate-free liquid soap is provided for bathing and washing dishes. Use sparingly. Dispose of wash water at least 100 ft. from lake.
- DO NOT bathe or wash dishes in the lake.

Firewood: Only fallen dead branches may be collected and used for firewood. There are plenty!

Privy: Keep the privy clean. Don't throw anything down the privy except toilet paper.

Pets: Droppings on paths or areas where others walk must be cleaned up. Animals may not disturb others and must be kept on a leash.

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

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:

- PA Fish Commission requires a fishing license for anyone over the age of 16.
- Do not trample down the embankment (edges) of the lake. Do not leave fishing line, lures, etc. on the ground or in the water.
- **Largemouth Bass, Yellow Perch and Catfish** are "catch and release". **Single fishing hooks must have the barbs crushed.** Treble hooks on large lures may have barbs.
- Hold fish by the mouth, rather than the body or gills, which may harm to the fish. If a bass swallows the hook, it can be removed using a hemostat or needle nose pliers without hurting the fish. If the hook cannot be removed, cut the line and release the fish. Don't put it on a stringer and then decide to let it go.
- **Bluegills** may be kept. A fish cleaning area is provided at Erie Pavilion. Fish waste should not be thrown into the lake. Take it a distance into the woods.

Boating:

- **Anyone under age 16 and all non-swimmers must wear a life jacket.** We can provide some life jackets and buoyant cushions, but you should bring your own if you have them.
- No standing or rowdy behavior in the boats.
- Paddles and oars should be used for paddling and rowing only!
- Boats may not be rammed into each other!
- 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.
- All boats must be returned clean.
- Please do not disturb the water lilies.

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.

Swim platform: No fishing, pushing, or rowdy behavior on swim platform.

Docks: NO fishing, DIVING OR JUMPING from the docks.

Mohawk Cabin: No smoking, cooking or pets inside the cabin. Cabin & porch should be broom swept before leaving. If mattresses are found to be deflated after you leave, a \$10 fee will be charged.