



RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Orleans County Marine Park is a public recreation facility providing boaters, anglers and picnickers with access to the scenic Oak Orchard River gorge and Lake Ontario. These Rules and Regulations apply to use of the boat launching facility at Point Breeze and docking and park facility on Oak Orchard Road, together comprising Orleans County Marine Park.

The purpose of these rules and regulations is to safeguard life and property at the Orleans County Marine Park, to advise Park users of their responsibilities for injury or damage to persons and property and to facilitate the orderly operation of the Park. Your cooperation in the observance of these Rules and Regulations will provide maximum enjoyment of the facilities by all.

GENERAL

1. The Park is open to the public from April 15 to November 1 from 6:00am to 10:00pm daily. Long term boat slip renters shall have 24 hour daily access.
2. By presence on the Orleans County Marine Park premises each person and his/her guests assumes all risks of personal injury to himself or damage to his property and agrees to waive any and all claims against the County of Orleans, its agents and employees, for injury to persons or property occurring on the Park premises or in any way related to his presence on Park premises, except as such waiver may be specifically limited by law.
3. Advertising, soliciting or other commercial activity is prohibited on Park premises unless expressly permitted by the County.
4. Overnight camping in trailers or tents is prohibited on Park premises.
5. Storage of boat trailers or boats during off-season is not available.
6. Park users, children and guests are expected to conduct themselves so as to create no annoyance, hazard or nuisance to the Park or to other users.

7. Swimming, diving or bathing from the walkway, docks or launch ramp is prohibited.
8. Cooking grills are permitted on Park premises only in the designated picnic area.
9. Pets will be leashed at all times. Owners are expected to clean up after their pets promptly.
10. Children under the age of 12 shall wear a Type III personal flotation device at all times while on the walkway and docks. Children shall not be allowed to run on the walkway or docks. Child life jackets may be loaned free of charge from the Marine Park.
11. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited on Park premises.
12. Handicapped parking spaces, as designated, will be made available to the physically impaired.

GROUP EVENTS

1. the Park and picnic pavilions are available for group gatherings and events on a first come, first served basis by reservation, on forms approved by the County. Reservations take precedence over other groups or individuals for the approved date and time.
2. Event sponsors will be held responsible for any damages to the park premises.
3. Event sponsors must clean up after their event.
4. Do not staple, tack, nail or otherwise attach or fasten banners, balloons, signs, posters, tarps, lights, speakers or other devices to the pavilions.

SANITATION

1. Garbage and refuse shall be deposited in trash containers provided.
2. No garbage, oil, sludge, solvents, refuse or waste material of any kind shall be deposited or discharged into the waters of the Park. The County supports Federal, State and local regulations pertaining to such activity and will provide every assistance to enforcement agencies in ensuring the compliance within the Park.
3. Dumping of portable toilets into the Park restroom toilets may cause failure of the septic system and is, therefore, prohibited.

4. Cleaning of fish of the Park premises shall be permitted only at the designated fish cleaning station during posted hours. The fish cleaning station must be kept clean and orderly. Fish remains shall not be disposed in trash receptacles or Dumpster.

SLIP AND LAUNCHING OPERATIONS

1. Vessels shall not obstruct the navigable channel of Oak Orchard River either in mooring, launching or maneuvering.
2. Mooring of vessels along the southerly 400 feet of the floating walkway, as marked, is permitted only with authorization of the County.
3. No commercial vessel shall use the Park docking area for pick-up or discharge of passengers for boat charter unless authorized by the County Legislature.
4. Docks, walkways and stairs are to be unobstructed and accessible at all times. Park users shall not place supplies, materials, equipment or debris in these areas and shall not construct hereon any lockers, chests or similar structures or alter docks and walkways in any way.
5. Slip renters should file a float plan with Park personnel for extended boat absences.
6. Extreme caution shall be exercised in entering and leaving docks and launch ramps.
7. Docking at the launch ramp bays is prohibited. Short term tie-up is allowed while launching or retrieving a vessel with a trailer. Overnight docking at the transient dock at Point Breeze is prohibited.
8. Fueling of any vessel at docks or launch bays is prohibited.
9. The wake of all boats operating within the Park docking or launching area must not cause damage to docks or docked boats, or discomfort to their occupants.
10. When approaching or leaving docks and launch bays vessels shall operate at a speed so as to cause no wake.
11. Fishing in the docking area is limited to the slip rented by the angler and with permission of the neighboring slip renter. Public fishing is permitted on the southerly 400 feet of walkway. Fishing on the remaining walkway, at empty slips or other renter's slips is prohibited. Fishing is permitted on the transient dock at Point Breeze, however, anglers must give way to boats arriving to dock.

12. The boat launching facility at Point Breeze is open to the public April 15 to November 1 from 6:00am to 10:00 p.m. daily.
13. It is the responsibility of the slip renter and launch ramp user to make his/her guest fully aware of the responsibilities and prohibitions of these Rules and Regulations.

AUTHORITY

1. The Chairman of the Legislature is authorized to waive any of the above rules for special gatherings for a period not to exceed three days. Requests for a waiver must be in writing. Approval must also be in writing, with a copy to all Legislators.
2. The County of Orleans reserves the right to remove any person from the Park premises for any violation of these Rules and Regulations or for any conduct which, in the judgment of the County, may cause injury to persons or damage to property or which unreasonably interferes with the enjoyment of the Park by others. Such conduct shall constitute disorderly conduct, and any person violating the same shall be a disorderly person.
3. Any person violating any of the provisions of these rules and regulations shall be subject to a penalty not to exceed Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars.

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