

Lakewood Estates Association

Beach Rules (Revised 2023)

The following is a list of rules and guidelines to follow as you use the beach, the lake, and the adjoining field area. The purpose of these rules is to ensure that all members of the Lakewood Estates Association (LEA) have an enjoyable experience. Please make sure that all members of your household and any of your guests are aware of these rules.

Membership:

- 1. Use of the beach area is limited to deeded members and associate members of the LEA who are current in their dues.
- 2. Deeded members and associate members may invite up to six (6) guests to use the beach but the member must be present while the guests are using the facilities. Members are responsible for their guests.
 - a. Members 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult (over 18)
 - b. Teenage members (ages 13-18) may use the beach without being accompanied by an adult; a teenage member is limited to two (2) guests.
- 3. In accordance with paragraph A.2 of the LEA By-Laws, deeded property owners may not serve as guests at the beach. A deeded property owner must be a member of the LEA in order to attend the beach.

Beach Operations:

- 1. Beach season is from Memorial Day to Labor Day.
- 2. The beach will be open 7 days a week from 9:00 am to dusk, weather permitting.
- 3. The gate will remain closed from sunset to 9:00 am unless a party or LEA activity is scheduled in advance.
- 4. No one is permitted on the beach after sunset except for an approved party or other LEA sponsored activity. Police will be notified of all unauthorized usage of the beach after dusk, unless prior permission has been given. (See "Parties" below for further information).
- 5. Members and guests must sign in at the lifeguard stand when arriving at the beach.
- 6. Parents are responsible for the supervision and safety of their children in order to ensure a communal atmosphere free of disruptive behavior.
- 7. Dogs are prohibited from all LEA property including the beach, picnic area, parking area, and grassy recreation area.
- 8. The use of firearms and fireworks are prohibited.
- 9. The barbecue grill at the beach and picnic area is available for use by members.
- 10. Please keep the picnic area and beach area clean; use appropriate garbage and recycle bins.
- 11. Glass of any kind is not permitted at the beach.

12. Food is not permitted in the water. Feeding wildlife is also not permitted as this increases the risk of more bacteria in the water.

Lifeguards:

- 1. The lifeguard is responsible for water safety within the designated swimming area and is responsible for having members and guests sign in.
- 2. The lifeguard is not responsible for boaters or swimmers beyond the designated swimming area.
- 3. At all times, swim at your own risk.

Boats:

- 1. There is a \$35.00 fee for storing a boat at the beach.
- 2. Boats must be stored on one of the existing boat racks.
- 3. A waterproof sticker is issued upon the rental of a boat slot; it is to be affixed to the boat for identification purposes.
- 4. Boats stored at the beach are the private property of the member and are not to be used by anyone without the permission of the owner.
- 5. The LEA assumes no responsibility or liability for a boat when it is stored at the beach.
 - a. Boats must be locked to a boat rack or tree.
 - b. Remove all paddles, life vests, covers, and anything that could be used by unauthorized persons.
- 6. Coast Guard approved life vests are to be used while boating.
- 7. No motorized vessels are to be used on the lake. This includes jet skis and boats equipped with fishing trolling motors.

Vehicles:

- 1. Please operate your motor vehicle responsibly while on LEA property.
 - a. Do not exceed 10 miles per hour.
- 2. ATVs, dirt bikes and other unlicensed motorized vehicles are prohibited from LEA property.
- 3. Vehicles are not permitted on the beach.
 - a. Supplies and handicapped drop off and pick up are permitted at the beach entryway.

Shed:

- 1. For your use, there are noodles, kickboards, and life jackets in the shed, which is opened and closed by the lifeguard each day. There are also secure baby seats for the swing set.
- 2. You may leave your beach umbrella and folding chair inside the shed for the season.
- 3. Please keep the shed neat and orderly.

Toys Outside:

- 1. Many toys are available in the "toy chest" near the swing set.
- 2. Please have your child return toys to the "toy chest" when finished playing.
- 3. Any holes dug in the sand must be filled in before leaving for the safety of all visitors to the beach.

Parties:

- The beach is available for parties. If you are looking for a place to celebrate a birthday, graduation, or an anniversary or you need a place for a family reunion, or a company or sport's team picnic, you can book a beach reservation at the lake during the summer months (June-Sept., Monday through Saturday).
- 2. Contact Melanie Kohler (<u>melaniemkohler@gmail.com</u> or 203-685-6489) for availability, cost and reservation details.
- 3. If you would like to have a small, impromptu gathering (8 or fewer people) after sunset, you need to contact the above for authorization. Police will be notified of all unauthorized usage of the beach after dusk, unless prior permission has been given.
- 4. Please see full party rules here.

Thank you for your cooperation and adherence to these rules and guidelines. Following these rules ensures that all members and beach-goers have a safe experience and can enjoy using the beach facility.

Contact Information

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