

Sunset Lake Association: Hampstead, New Hampshire



Town Beach Boat Launch Regulations



Hampstead Town Selectmen drafted and passed a new regulation for town beach 'boat launch' usage as of August 26, 2002 (see below). Please forward all questions, comments and concerns to the Selectmen at the Hampstead Town Hall (329-5011).

HAMPSTEAD TOWN BEACH RULES RE: BOAT LAUNCHING

- 1) Memorial Day to Labor Day, boat launching at the Hampstead Town Beach will be allowed during the hours of 6-9 AM and 6-9 PM by permit only.
- 2) Anyone with a deeded lake access right of way over the Town Beach will be issued one vehicle sticker upon submission of deed showing deeded rights.
- 3) Water front property owners or anyone with deeded lake rights, other than the Town Beach, on Wash Pond/Sunset Lake may apply for a hardship permit to launch a boat between the hours of 6-9 AM and 6-9 PM.

Applications for a hardship permit may be obtained from the Town Clerk/Tax Collector and returned to the Selectmen's Office. Permission will be granted or denied within one business day, based on the criteria that the applicant has a deeded lake access right of way or waterfront property as shown on their deed. The burden of proof is on the property owner.

The Administrative Assistant will keep a list of all approved applications and submit that list to the Town Clerk's Office. It is a one-time application, and a vehicle sticker (different color than "2" above) will be issued from the Town Clerk's Office, renewable each year. One sticker will be issued per household, to be displayed on the towing vehicle window.

- 4) Foot traffic to launch non-motorized vessels via the beach (i.e. canoes and kayaks) is permitted as long as it is done at the extreme edge (side) of the beach and no swimmers or sunbathers are disturbed.

Environmental and safety education literature is available through the Sunset Lake Association (email info@slahampstead.org).

HAMPSTEAD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Clean-Drain-Dry before you launch!

CLEAN

off any mud, plants,
and animals from
boats, trailers
and equipment

DRAIN

your boat and
equipment away
from the water

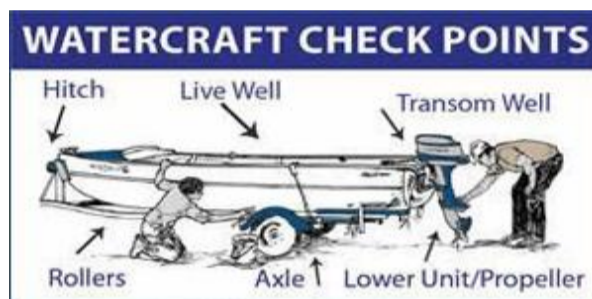
DRY

anything that
comes into contact
with the water

This applies to all watercraft, motorized, and non-motorized and is important for everyone to be aware of before leaving the launch. Keeping all your gear, craft, fishing, and recreational equipment free of exotic plants from potentially inhabiting Sunset Lake is a responsibility we all need to partake in. On the reverse side of this flyer is a recommended cleaning procedure that should be performed on all watercraft before leaving the launch area. If you have a visiting boater wanting to launch their canoe, kayak or any form of craft from your property you should suggest they follow the cleaning procedure before visiting.

Unfortunately, our water bodies in New Hampshire and throughout the country are under attack from invading aquatic nuisance species. If you move your craft between bodies of water you should exercise this procedure to prevent the possibility of carrying Milfoil, Fanwort or other invasive vegetation into Sunset Lake. Not only do they crowd out native plants, they affect people by fouling boating, swimming, fishing areas and reduce shoreline property values.

The more we are aware of these invasive weeds and how they travel between bodies of water, the better we can control and prevent them from invading Sunset Lake. Your help is greatly appreciated.



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Although we're cute, we do pollute.ute!
Please don't feed the ducks.

