

**NOTICE OF REGULATIONS
TOWN PROPERTIES
MADISON, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

The use of Town property is for the enjoyment of Madison residents, taxpayers, and guests, and any use that would constitute disturbing the peace is strictly prohibited. The following rules apply for use:

General Guidelines:

Any private group or organization based in Madison hosting any event at any Town property must apply for a permit at least 3 weeks in advance. Applications are available at Town Hall. Organizations hosting an event of 40 or more people may be required to hire a police officer to be present for the duration of the event, a decision to be made by the Chief of Police at time of request. The group or organization permitted to use the Town property is solely responsible for the cleanup of the property used. If cleaning is not done satisfactorily, the responsible party can be billed.

All rules posted at the beaches/parks/athletic fields are included as part of this regulation, which include but is not limited to: no alcoholic beverages, no glass, no dogs, and feeding the waterfowl is prohibited.

Users are responsible for removal of their own trash and failure to do so can result in a littering fine.

No camping is permitted on any Town land, except by special permit from the Town.

All Town beach/parks/athletic field areas are closed from 10pm to 6am, except the Boat Ramp, which will be open 24 hours for launching or retrieval only. Overnight parking at Boat Ramp is prohibited.

Specific Facilities:

Town Hall Meeting Rooms: Any usage of the Town Hall meeting room must be requested and scheduled with the Town Administrator. The fee for 2 hours of use is \$50 at the discretion of the Town Administrator.

Athletic Fields: While the Madison athletic field is primarily for resident/taxpayer's events e.g., youth sports, family reunions, town teams, Old Home Week, etc., the ball field may be used for nonresident/taxpayer's events e.g., baseball/softball tournaments, races etc. by permit. It must be scheduled through Town Hall. Permit is dated and will be issued at Town Hall and the Town Administrator reserves the right to charge a fee up to \$100 per team, based on the impact of the event i.e., adult softball tournaments with multiple teams. Users should consider supplying rental porta-potties.

Town Sand: Sand is available for resident use only (no commercial use) during the winter months for driveways and walkways. The sand pile is behind the Fire Station. Use and access to the sand is via the Town-issued permit sticker permanently attached to the resident's vehicle.

Transfer Station Use:

Residents: The transfer station use permit sticker is the same as your Madison resident parking permit. For all Madison residents/taxpayers it is the colored sticker, with year designation, issued biennially with the resident's vehicle license plate number indicated. This permit allows full use of the transfer station facilities. The sticker must be permanently attached to the windshield.

Use of the Transfer Station is for small household items, recyclables, and trash. Up to one pick-up truck load or 150 cubic feet of debris may be disposed of weekly, for an \$80 fee. Up to one pick-up truck load or 150 cubic feet of brush may be disposed of per week, for a \$35 fee. Larger amounts of home construction debris, remodeling debris, or large amounts of cut brush should be disposed of by other commercial sources e.g., rental dumpsters, commercial dumps (i.e., Coleman's), rental chippers, or landscape service providers. Fees will be collected at the Transfer Stations by the attendant. Failure to pay at the time of delivery will result in refusal to admit for dumping. An additional fee of \$30 is charged per item for large items or quantities, electronics, etc.

Non-residents (e.g., guests or renters): Guest and renter may dispose of household trash at a cost of \$5/bag with no charge for disposal of properly sorted recyclables. No other guest or renter debris is accepted e.g. no construction waste, brush, large items, electronic, etc.

Parking, Beaches, and Boat launching:

General parking: Parking permit for all Madison residents/taxpayers is the colored sticker, with year designation, issued biennially with the resident/taxpayer's vehicle license plate number indicated. This permit allows all town parking and is specific to that vehicle. The sticker must be permanently attached to the front windshield. Failure to display valid parking permit may incur a \$100 fine.

Parking regulations do not apply (except for overnight parking) at the athletic fields, Monument beach, Point beach, Nichols beach, and Town Hall. Special parking rules/restrictions apply at the boat ramp and Foot of the Lake beach – see specifics below. Kennett Park and Big Island are also open to the public by Town agreement with the State of NH per LWCF#33-00527/00107.

Beaches: Town beaches and parks are for the use of Madison residents, taxpayers and their guests. No visitors, guests, or renters may use the Foot of the Lake beach, unless accompanied by a resident/taxpayer. Unaccompanied visitors, guests, and renters may use the other beach locations in Madison (Point, Nichols, Kennett, and Monument). All parked vehicles must have current Town permit affixed to vehicle for Foot of the Lake Beach/.

Moving or removal of swim lines, signs, tables, etc. is prohibited and may be subject to a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for first offense, two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) for second offense.

It is unlawful to leave or park vehicles, watercraft, or boat trailers at beaches or the Boat Ramp overnight and may be subject to a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

Swimming is prohibited at the Boat Ramp.

Foot of the Lake Beach: Parking at the Foot of the Lake beach is by Town permit only and is only for Madison residents/taxpayers. No parking is permitted 1) directly across from the access entrance to the boat launch, 2) across East Shore Drive from the Foot of the Lake beach (exception is for Old Home Week activities), or 3) within 30ft of any mailbox (US Postal Service requirement). All drivers must ensure space for emergency vehicle access on East Shore Drive.

Residents: Parking permit for all Madison residents/taxpayers is the colored sticker, with year designation, issued biennially with the resident/taxpayer's vehicle number indicated. This permit allows all town parking and is specific to that vehicle. The sticker must be permanently attached to the front windshield.

Non-residents (e.g., guests or renters): Visitors, guests, or renters may only use this beach when accompanied by a resident and with a resident's parking permit on their vehicle. No unaccompanied visitors, guests, or renters may park at or use the Foot of the Lake beach.

Motorized Boat Launching/Recovery and Boat Ramp Visitor parking:

The Boat Ramp is the only approved launching site on Silver Lake for motorized boats. With the exception of the Boat Ramp, it is unlawful to drive a vehicle and/or boat trailer onto any other property for launching or retrieval purposes for motorized boats.

Residents: Annual motorized boat launching and retrieval for Madison residents is free for their personally owned watercraft, however, the watercraft must have the resident permit sticker and only be launched at the Town boat launch site, where boat and trailer must be cleaned, drained, and dried before and after launch – per NH state law (NH Clean, and Drain statute). There is an attendant to do this no-fee cleaning during normal hours. After hours, the cleaning must be done by the boat owner/user. When resident is not present for the launch of a resident/taxpayer's boat a Town issued permit is required. .

Non-residents: Must purchase a motorized boat launch permit annually from the Town Hall before traveling to the Town boat launch site. The annual launching permit fee is \$100. This permit must be displayed on the motorized boat and is valid for one year only. The permit does not allow parking privileges. Motorboats may only be launched into Silver Lake at the Town boat launch site, where both the boat and trailer must be cleaned, drained, and dried before and after launch – per NH state law (Clean & drain statute). There is an attendant to do this no-fee cleaning during normal hours. Outside of normal hours, the cleaning must be done by the boat owner.

The registered owner of any boat or vehicle in violation of these regulations shall be prima facie evidence and considered the violator.

Enforcement:

- Parking – enforced by Madison Police
- Transfer Station – enforced by Transfer Station attendants
- Boat launching – enforced by Madison Police and/or their Staff
- Off-shore moorings – enforced by NH Marine Patrol
- Athletic Field – enforced by Town Administrator

All violations should be reported to both the Madison Police and the Town Administrator. Violators of parking rules and regulations are subject to a fine and possible towing of vehicle at the owner's expense.

The Selectmen may amend this regulation at any time without notice. This amended Notice of Regulations Town Properties, takes effect upon approval of the Selectmen of Madison.

August 25, 2020

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