



2009

Rules for Lake Sherwood Acres Lake

The Lake Sherwood Restrictions and Protective Covenants (Part I. Administration and Lake Sherwood Council- Section 2.21) allow for the Sherwood Lake Association Board to regulate lake usage with reasonable rules and regulations. This is to protect the residents and the lake's health.

Since it is a private lake, the La. Wildlife and Fisheries Dept. representatives have stated the subdivision can impose and enforce its own rules.

In order to halt non-resident use of the lake, to promote a safer neighborhood in regards to a crime and privacy issue and to improve the quality of the lake; the following has been proposed and voted upon:

General Rules:

- **Use of the lake is restricted to residents who are lot owners or to renters who live in that home. This is allowed as long as all subdivision dues are paid up to date for the lot.**
- Residents are defined as family members such as: parents, children, grandchildren, and sons or daughters in law. Family guests would be allowed as long as a family member, who lives in the home, **accompanies the guest.**
- **All boats used on the lake must have 2 Lake Sherwood Acres boat stickers** with the lot number, one on each side. Boats or boat stickers should not be loaned to others such as workers on your property or an unaccompanied guest. If that action is taken, the lake stickers will be removed for 1 year. Contact Dick Hevey @ 292-5870, Jim Cazes @ 292-7012, or Dan Abraham @ 205-3134 for boat stickers.
- Boating is allowed from sun up to sun down. If boating is desired in darkness, proper boat lights are required.
- All boats must have a life vest for all boat occupants. Children under 13 **must** be wearing a life vest.
- The Lake Sherwood Acres Board discourages swimming in any of the lake water areas and it does not provide for any type of lifeguard protections. Swimmers do so at their own risk.
- Property owners whose trees or limbs have fallen into the lake are required to remove them as soon as possible.
- No bulkhead, dock, boat launch ramp or other structure may protrude into the lake.
- Jumping off lake bridges or from objects (such as trees, bulkheads, boats, etc.) into the lake is prohibited.
- **Nothing may be dumped into the lake including grass clippings, food scraps, crawfish/shrimp shells, dirt, concrete etc.** Besides being against our Lake Rules, dumping in our waterways is a violation of city ordinances.
- The lake may not be used as a source of water for irrigation or other purposes.
- Lot owners, who wish to place objects (such as wildlife houses, plants, water filters, etc.) within the watered areas, must submit plans for approval (same as property improvements) by the

Council members. The resident will, if plans are approved, be required to accept all clean up costs, maintenance costs and liabilities associated with the approved project.

- Updated yearly rules will be e-mailed to each home within the subdivision, posted on the LSA website and included in the subdivision's welcome package. Additionally, the rules will be mailed with the year's first newsletter. Lot owners who rent out their homes are responsible to let the renters know of the rules.
- Violations and violators will be posted in the subdivision's newsletters and on the LSA website showing violation and any/all suspension activity

Fishing restrictions:

All non-resident guests must have a valid La. Recreational Fishing License on their possession, in accordance with La. Wildlife and Fisheries laws. The guest's host must be in attendance at all times.

Fish limits:

- Daily bass limit set at 3 between 10 to 19 inches and 1 of the 3 may be over 19 inches. All others must be safely returned to the lake.
- Daily crappie (or sac-a-lait) limit set at 5 over 8 inches. All others must be safely returned to the lake.
- Daily catfish limit set at 10 over 12 inches in length. All others must be safely returned to the lake.
- Pan fish (or brim) will have no limit or size restriction.
- Catches can be checked by any subdivision resident or security patrol member. Violations will result in a 1 year suspension of lake use by anyone connected with that lot's described allowed lake user.
- Use of seine nets or any other type of net fishing is banned. The use of trot lines, bottle floats, balloon style floats or other type of line style fishing with multiple hooks is banned and deemed unsafe due to hazards posed to residents and boats.

Each year, the Lake Sherwood Board will review, make any changes to, and vote on the renewal of these regulations at the start of that board's business. The lake maintenance board representative will handle this duty.

If your boat is sold or given away, remove the Lake Sherwood stickers and destroy them.

ADOPTED BY THE 2009 BOARD OF DIRECTORS SHERWOOD LAKE ASSOCIATION

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