

CHAPTER 21 DOCKS, PIERS AND FLOATS

2100 PURPOSE

This ordinance is designed to regulate the use of piers, floats and any other docking locations within the Town of Newfields.

2101 REGULATIONS

The use of municipal piers, floats and any other docking locations at the Newfields Waterfront Park shall be limited and regulated as follows:

2101.1 Piers and docks are intended for short-term use only (i.e. loading and unloading passengers and equipment). No long-term use is authorized.

2101.2 No commercial craft shall be secured at any such docking location;

2101.3 No pleasure craft in excess of 35 feet in length shall be secured at any such docking location without written permission from the Harbor Master.

2101.4 No craft may be "rafted" (secured to another craft) which is secured at any such docking location;

2101.5 No craft shall remain secured at the floats in excess of six (6) consecutive hours per docking, after which, at least twenty-four (24) hours shall have elapsed before the craft may be permitted to re-secure except to load or unload;

2101.6 No fishing from docks;

2101.7 Skiffs and tenders shall not be left at the dock;

2101.8 No swimming or diving from docks;

2101.9 The Harbor Master may inquire of the person in charge of any craft to be secured to the floats, the intended length of stay and may collect, in advance, the appropriate fee.

2101.10 Any person, firm, or corporation who secures a craft or allows a craft under its ownership or control to be secured in violation of the terms of this ordinance, shall be subject to the following:

(a) A fine of not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100) per day.

(b) Prosecution under the New Hampshire Criminal Code.

2101.11 The provisions of this ordinance shall be posted in plain view at the piers and floats at the Waterfront Park.

2102 TRAFFIC

2102.1 State Motor Vehicle Laws Apply:

No person in a park shall fail to comply with all applicable provisions of the State Motor Vehicle traffic laws in regard to equipment and operation of vehicles together with such regulations as are contained in this and other Ordinances.

2102.2 Enforcement of Traffic Regulations:

No person in a park shall fail to obey all traffic officers or such persons being hereby authorized and instructed to direct traffic whenever and wherever needed in the parks and on the highways, streets or roads immediately adjacent thereto in accordance with the provisions of these regulations, and such supplementary regulations as may be issued subsequently by the Board.

2102.3 Traffic Signs:

No person in a park shall fail to observe carefully all traffic signs indicating speed, direction, caution, stopping or parking, and all others posted for proper control and to safeguard life and property.

2102.4 Speed of Vehicles:

No person in a park shall ride or drive a vehicle at a rate of speed exceeding 15 mph except upon such roads as the Board may designate, by posted signs, for speedier travel.

2102.5 Operation Confined to Roads:

No person in a park shall drive any vehicle on any area except the park roads or parking areas, or such other areas as may on occasions be so designated.

2102.6 The use of skateboards, rollerblades, rollerskates, bicycles or other similar devices are prohibited from docks, piers and walkways.

2103 FEES

Docking fees, as relating to this ordinance, will be set by the Board of Selectmen, and so noted in their Fee Schedule (as updated from time to time).

2104 PENALTIES

A person, firm or corporation violating any provisions of Chapter 21 of this code shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred (\$100.00) dollars for each offense.

2105 VALIDITY

If any section or part of a section or paragraph of this Article is declared invalid or unconstitutional, it shall not be held to invalidate or impair the validity, force or effect of any other section or sections, or part of a section or paragraph of this Article.