

**VILLAGE OF CHIPPEWA LAKE, OHIO
MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO**

BOAT RAMP REGULATIONS

POLICE OFFICERS-CITE AS: Village of Chippewa Lake Ordinance No. 502-00

(This document includes Amendments by Ordinances No. 565-03, 643-07 and 664-08)

SECTION I: PERSONS ENTITLED TO REGISTER A BOAT FOR USE OF BOAT RAMP.

The following persons may register a boat to use the boat ramp:

- A. Owners of lots in the Villages of Chippewa Lake and Gloria Glens Park, as evidenced by a copy of the last real estate tax bill, and owners of lots in Westfield and Lafayette Township who demonstrate that they have deeded rights to use of Chippewa Lake.
- B. “Resident Renters,” being those persons who are actual residents of such Villages or properties in Westfield and Lafayette Township which have deeded rights to use of Chippewa Lake, residing in rental property therein, and who produce a notarized letter from their landlord (lot owner) granting temporary use of the landlord’s lake rights to the tenants as part of the Lease.

In the event a lot in one of the named Villages and Townships is titled in the name of more than one person, each such owner shall have the right to register boats titled in his or her name, however, only one key will be issued per lot, as outlined below.

Every place the word “boat” is used in this Ordinance, it is defined to include all types of watercraft.

SECTION II: BOAT RAMP GATE KEYS, BOAT STICKERS, and USE OF RAMP.

- 1. Persons who qualify under Section I will be issued one numbered key to the boat ramp gate to enable them to use the ramp. Only one key will be issued per lot, in the name of the owner or resident renter. The key will remain the property of the Village of Chippewa Lake, must be returned to the Village when a lot is sold or transferred or the Lease of a resident renter ends, and keys are subject to repossession by the Village in the event of a violation of any of these rules.
- 2. Each owner or resident renter who will be entitled to a key will be issued one numbered sticker for each boat the person intends to use on the ramp. In order to be eligible for a sticker, each boat must be owned by the lot owner or resident renter, evidenced by a title or registration in that person’s name.
- 2. Only boats properly registered and displaying a current and valid sticker, will be permitted to go through the gate and on the boat ramp.

SECTION III: PROCEDURE FOR ISSUING KEYS AND BOAT STICKERS.

1. Representatives appointed by Village Council (“The Boat Ramp Committee”) will have responsibility for monitoring use of the boat ramp, issuing keys and stickers, examining documents necessary in order to obtain a key or sticker, including proof of the applicant’s identity, if necessary, for which a driver’s license will suffice.
2. The Boat Ramp Committee shall maintain a ledger listing each key and sticker issued, which will include the key number, the property owner or resident renter’s name, addresses, telephone numbers, date of issuance of the key, sticker number, and identification of each boat for which a sticker has been issued.
3. Village Council will establish a cost for issuance of a key, issuance of a sticker and replacement of lost or stolen keys, which will approximate as closely as possible the actual cost of operating this system of regulating the boat ramp.

SECTION IV: RULES

The following rules will also govern USE OF THE BOAT RAMP, and a copy of these rules will be given to each person issued a key or boat sticker:

1. Boat stickers should be displayed on the boat(s) at all times. Boat stickers should be placed on the transom above the water line and below the boat cover line.
2. Close and lock the boat ramp gate immediately after passing through the gate. Your key cannot be taken out of the lock until the lock is closed or locked.
3. Cars with boat trailers may not be parked in the Beach Parking Area.
4. Fifteen-minute parking is to be observed in the area beyond the first boat ramp gate.
5. Duplication of boat ramp gate keys is prohibited and is in violation of the Boat Ramp Ordinance.

Observed violations of the Ordinance and/or regulations should be reported to the police immediately.

SECTION V: ENFORCEMENT

A. CIVIL REPOSSESSION OF KEY:

Anyone violating these Rules and Regulations for use of the Boat Ramp will be subject to repossession his or her Boat Ramp key as follows:

1. For a first violation, the person's key shall be suspended and retained by the Village for a period of thirty (30) days; and
2. For any subsequent violations, person's key shall be suspended and retained by the Village for a period of one (1) year; and
3. Any person whose key is suspended hereunder shall pay an administrative fee of Three Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$300.00) to the Village at the end of their period of suspension for return of a key and restoration of Boat Ramp privileges. This key will not be returned nor a new key issued to such person until such administrative fee is paid. In addition, such person's Boat Ramp privileges are suspended until their administration fee is paid.

CRIMINAL PENALTIES

Whoever violates any of the terms of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a minor misdemeanor on a first offense and a fourth degree misdemeanor on any subsequent offense.

SECTION VI: KEYS TO RAMP TO BE PROVIDED

A key to the boat ramp will also be provided to the following governmental entities and service personnel:

- A. One key to the Medina County Sheriff's Department for use by deputies when they are working in the Village pursuant to the Agreement between the Village and the Medina County Sheriff;
- B. One key to the Lafayette Fire Department for use by Fire and Rescue personnel if needed in the Village;
- C. One key to the Medina County Park District.

The foregoing keys may be used to access the boat ramp for the purpose of launching and retrieving water craft by the above in the course and scope of their duties and activities related to Chippewa Lake.