



## ARTICLE II – PARK POLICIES, RULES, AND REGULATIONS

### Section 4 – Lake Rules and Regulations

#### 2.4.1 Swimming, Waterskiing, Diving, Ice Fishing and Skating

Swimming, Waterskiing, Diving, Ice Fishing, and Ice Skating are prohibited in any body of water within park property.

#### 2.4.2 Fishing

- A Missouri State fishing license is required in accordance with the Conservation code. There is no city fishing license required for Rothwell Lake, Water Works Lake, Deer Pond, or Beuth Pond.
- No jugs, trot lines, or traps are permitted.
- Those fishing are responsible for knowledge of and compliance with all state regulations.
- Trout will be stocked in Beuth Lake annually starting November 2022 according to an agreement between the Missouri Department of Conservation and MPRD. MDC regulations regarding trout must be followed.

#### 2.4.3 Overnight Fishing/After Hours Fishing

- Public areas of the lakes will close 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. unless an overnight fishing permit has been issued by the Department. These permits are issued at the discretion of the Director and may be obtained at the Parks and Recreation office. Please see the current Schedule of Fees (Appendix B) for the current annual cost.
- Persons with an Overnight Fishing Permit must adhere to all rules and regulations regarding fishing, boating, limits, etc. Violators will lose their permit and no refund will be given. Additionally, violators may be subject to fine and/or arrest for certain infractions.
- Persons caught fishing after hours without an Overnight Fishing Permit may be subject to fine and/or law enforcement action.

#### 2.4.4 Boating

- There is no horsepower limit on boat motors, but all Parks and Recreation Lakes have a no-wake restriction.
- Boats may be used year-round when water is open on Rothwell Lake and Water Works Lake for fishing and leisure purposes only.
- All boats must be properly licensed and permitted in accordance with Missouri state laws.
- All boats must have one (1) United States Coast Guard approved life preserver per person on board. Minors and anyone who is not a strong swimmer must be wearing it at all times.
- All boats shall reduce speed when approaching anchored boats, ramp areas, and shoreline fishermen.



- All boats and boaters shall act in a safe and courteous manner to other boaters, fishermen, and wildlife.
- The rules and regulations of the State of Missouri must be observed at all times.
- Annual boat storage is available. Please see the current Schedule of Fees (Appendix B) for the current annual cost. Boats that are delinquent on payment will be locked up with a City lock and chain. Boats that are delinquent for a significant amount of time may be considered abandoned property.

#### 2.4.5 General

Please respect our lakes and parks. Do not litter. Trash receptacles are provided throughout the park for your convenience. Littering may result in fines and loss of privileges.

LEAVE NO TRACE. Utilize park amenities in a way that leaves no trace of your use when you leave. This ensures the lakes remain a natural resource available for generations to come. Clean up fishing line, food containers, worm containers, plastic bags, etc. before you leave. If you see litter from others, please be a good steward of our natural resources and help clean it up. Natural resources and wildlife are a rare blessing for a community to have access to and we all need to do our part to protect them.

**Disclaimer:** Park users are also responsible for abiding by all written policies as updated periodically. The MPRD policy manual is updated annually and available on the website. Please refer to this for up to date written policies for all areas of the Department. Please note that park rules are subject to change. Park users are expected to listen to instruction and requests from City of Moberly Parks and Recreation staff members.