MOUNTAIN LAKES DISTRICT COMMUNITY INFORMATION GUIDE 2012



MOUNTAIN LAKES DISTRICT 75 WHITE MOUNTAIN DRIVE WOODSVILLE, NH 03785 603-787-6180

LOCATION:

Physical address in the Mountain Lakes District:
Your Map No. and Lot No.
Emergency Telephone No. 9-1-1
Haverhill Police Dept: 787-2224 non-emergency
Woodsville Fire Dept: 787-6911 non-emergency
State Police: <u>1-800-525-5555 non-emergency</u>
Haverhill Town Clerk: 787-6200
Haverhill Town Manager & Select Board: <u>787-6800</u>
Cottage Hospital: 747-9000 non-emergency 24 hour walk in emergency care Walk in clinic Hours: 5-8pm Weekdays, Weekends 9am- Noon

located on Swiftwater Road off of Goose Lane going towards Route 10 or take Route 203 to Woodsville past Walmart to Hospital sign on Route

Poison Control Center: <u>1-880-562-8236</u>

New Hampshire Fish & Game Dept.: <u>603-271-3129</u>

10. Turn left at blinking light onto Swiftwater Road.

Bureau of Trails:	603-271-3254	
New Hampshire Snowmobile Assoc.:	<u>603-224-8906</u>	
Granite State ATV Assoc.:	603-223-9714	
If your property is leased or rented – the emergency number the renters/guests can reach you in case of emergency is:		
In Case of Emergency our Plumber is: _ Telephone No.		
In Case of Emergency our Heating Co. i		
Other Emergency No		
		

THE COMMUNITY CENTER

The Mt. Lakes District Office is located in the Community Center Building, 75 White Mountain Drive. The public office hours are:

Monday-Friday: 8:00 AM- 4:00 PM Telephone No. 603-787-6180 Fax No. 603-787-2154

Closed for Lunch 11:30 – 12:30

E-Mail: <u>District@mtnlakesnh.com</u>
Web Site: <u>www.mountainlakesnh.com</u>

Water Emergency Only: 603-348-3266

Note: hours are subject to change, we recommend that people call first.

The Commissioners typically meet at 6PM on the second Monday of each month at the Community Center Building. The exception to this is in the summer, (Saturdays) and our District Annual Meeting which is held in March of each year at the Lodge. The public is welcome to attend these meetings. Please note that these meetings times and days may change, so consult the office bulletin board or call the office for the most up to date schedule.

The District of Mountain Lakes Zoning Ordinances, as well as additional pertinent information, may be obtained at the Mountain Lakes office located in the Community Building. Please feel free to stop in the office if you have any questions regarding your property during regular office hours.

Mountain Lakes District Septic Tank Regulation RSA 147:1, III

To protect our lakes, which are man-made and therefore shallow, the District of Mountain Lakes is responsible for the enforcement of RSA 147:1. III, Town Health Regulation, also State, requiring all homeowners to have their septic tanks inspected and pumped at least every four years and submit a completed form and copy of the receipt for having this service performed to the District Office.

A letter and form will be sent as a reminder to all homeowners prior to the month and year that this service is required. Please do not feel that this is just another bothersome requirement. Seepage from failed septic systems will eventually end up in our lakes and your drinking water over a period of time. Even if your property is used occasionally, you must have your system inspected on a regular basis. Systems that are used only occasionally can cause more problems as waste materials will solidify and prevent the septic system from functioning properly and cause the leech field to fail as well.

Summer at Mountain Lakes

During the Summer Program the Snack Bar is located in the downstairs area of the Community Center. Information about area attractions is also available.

The swimming pool is located at the beginning of the causeway between the two lakes as well as a basketball court. The same rules apply to the pool as to the beach where applicable.

Boats and canoes are available for a rental fee from the Snack Bar during the Summer Program. Boats must be rented by persons 14 years or older. Children may go out in a boat if a parent has signed it out.

All children under the age of 12 must wear a life vest at all times while in a boat. Adults are encouraged to wear a life vest. Each boat must contain one life vest per person occupying the boat. Lifejackets will be issued at the time of rental.

No boats are allowed in the designated swimming area.

Boats are not to be moved from one lake to another.

No sitting, playing or fishing from the boating docks

There are also a variety of beach and water toys available at the Snack

Bar. Please return the toys at the end of your day.

Fishing regulations: For residents, renters and guests, a fishing license is not required in the Mountain Lakes area, but the State of New Hampshire Fish and Game regulations regarding size, season and limits apply.

No boating or fishing near the roped-off swimming areas on the lakes.

Mountain Lakes District Zoning Ordinance Section 406-406.14-No person shall use or operate any power boat or other boat powered by an inboard or outboard motor on the waters of the lakes in Mountain Lakes.

REGULATIONS FOR BEACH AREA, PICNIC AREAS, LAKE AND POOL

1. Strict Prohibitions:

- a. swimming beyond roped areas on Lakes
- b. all children under the age of fourteen (14) who are not accompanied by an adult
- c. no glassware on beach or pool area.
- d. running or horseplay
- e. dunking, annoying or endangering anyone
- f. animals or pets
- g. fishing equipment
- h. improper language
- 2. Use of rafts are limited to competent swimmers who will observe the following rules:
 - a. never swim under the raft
 - b. never attempt flips or dangerous dives from edge of raft
 - c. never push or throw anyone off the raft
 - d. a judgment call may be made by the lifeguards as to how many people may occupy the raft at any time.

- 3. All persons using the beach, lakes and pool are requested to:
 - a. place refuse in the litter barrels
 - b. extinguish and dispose of cigarettes, cigars, and pipe tobacco properly
 - c. avoid fatigue and over-exposure to the sun
 - d. refrain from swimming for at least one hour after meals
 - e. use the buddy system when swimming
 - f. all cars must have a valid parking permit
 - g. visitors and vacationers must display a valid parking tag with the dates of arrival and departure on the car dashboard
 - h. Parking Permits are available at the Snack Bar

It is the responsibility of the Lifeguard on duty (from Noon to 6 P.M. during the Summer Program period, subject to change) to maintain safety and orderliness throughout the pool and lakes. Accordingly, he/she is delegated full authority to evict from these premises anyone who fails to comply with the foregoing rules and regulations. Any questions regarding these rules or use of the facilities should be directed to the Waterfront Supervisor or to the Commissioners.

When no lifeguard is on duty, any persons using the beach facilities do so at their own risk.

Notice to Owners of Dogs

Mountain Lakes homeowners and guests should be aware that a leash law is in effect in all Town of Haverhill precincts. Owners who permit their dogs to run loose will be warned, and if necessary, fined. Additional information is posted at the bulletin board. Dogs are not permitted on the beach.

Rubbish Removal

Mountain Lakes zoning Ordinances Section 406-406.7-Owners of occupied or unoccupied lots shall at all times keep and maintain their property in an ordinary manner. Accumulations of rubbish, or debris are prohibited. Outdoor storage or accumulation of new, used or scrap construction materials, items of equipment, appliances, or parts are prohibited, except for as may be reasonably necessary for a limited period in conjunction with active construction on the property.

A copy of the Zoning Ordinances may be obtained at the office as well as a helpful booklet on ways to prevent wildlife from getting into the garbage.

Tennis Court Regulations

- 1. Residents, renters and guests may receive a key to the tennis courts located on Lodge Lane off of Valley Drive with a deposit of \$10.00 and signing the book at the office in the Community Center Bldg. Your deposit will be returned with the return of the key.
- a. Only smooth soled, rubber tennis shoes are permitted.
- b. Gentlemen are requested to wear shirts at all times.
- c. Improper language and alcoholic beverages on the courts will not be permitted.

The District of Mountain Lakes reserves the right to remove or refuse play to anyone who does not comply with the above. Mountain Lakes District cannot be help responsible for accidents that may occur. Play at your own risk.

OHRV

(Off Highway Recreational Vehicle) (As well as snowmobiles)

OHRV's are not permitted to operate on the traveled portion or within the right-of-way of any public way, including roads, streets, highways, bridges, parking lots, sidewalks or ways that are maintained by any city, town, county, state or federal agency, except when specifically allowed and posted.

Highway Crossings: Permitted OHRV crossings may be established across some roads, except interstate highways, toll roads and limited access highways.

More detailed information may be obtained at most general stores or at a supplier of sports equipment.

Hunting and the use of Firearms in The District of Mountain Lakes

The laws governing hunting and the use of firearms are the same as for any area in the State of New Hampshire.

"Discharge Restrictions/Compact Areas: It is illegal to discharge a firearm or shoot with a bow and arrow within 300 feet of a permanently occupied dwelling without permission of the owner or occupant, or from the owner of the land on which the person discharging the firearm or shooting the bow and arrow is situated. A firearm may not be discharged within 300 feet of any commercial, educational or medical building, or outdoor public gathering place.

Firearms may not be discharged within the compact area of any town or city (any contiguous area containing 6 or more building used as part time or permanent dwelling where each is within 300 feet of one of the other buildings, plus a 300 foot wide perimeter around all the buildings.

Hunters should check with city or town offices regarding local ordinances on the discharge of firearms.

More detailed information can be obtained at any local sport supply retailer or general store. There are signs preventing the firing of firearms in the vicinity of the lodge as a safety precaution because of the location of our hiking trails, tennis courts, baseball diamonds as well as the fact that the lodge is used by residents and guests on a regular basis.

One of the benefits of property ownership in the Mountain Lakes District is the fact that we are located within 20-60 minutes of major ski areas, cross county trails, snowshoeing trails, snow mobile trails, hiking trails including the ATC, bicycle routes, tourist attractions, and all the natural beauty of the White Mountains of New Hampshire.

Winter in the District of Mountain Lakes

During the snow season, hot chocolate is available in the annex part of the lodge during the day on weekends. Residents and guests are welcome to slide on the former ski slope or ice skate on the skating rink that is located at the base of the slope.

Snow-mobiling is allowed on the marked access routes that connect to the main trails within the general area. Snow mobiles are not allowed on town maintained roads and must obey the rules and regulations of the State of New Hampshire. Snow Mobiles are not permitted on the lakes within the District at any time. Snow mobiles shall not be operated within 300 feet of any occupied dwelling.

Ice fishing is permitted on the lakes.

Winter hiking can be wonderful experience as there are no flying insects and the woods are quiet, serene and beautiful. You, your family and guests will enjoy occasional sightings of deer, squirrels, snowshoe hares, foxes, both red and gray, and colorful winter birds including grouse and turkeys. Children can keep a record of the tracks of wildlife left in the snow and then read about the animal while everyone curls up with a good book and a cup of hot chocolate. Enjoy your stay in Mountain Lakes.