

# POALH Rules and Regulations

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## Authority and Enforcement

- These Rules are adopted pursuant to the POALH Charter and Bylaws.
- Violations may result in warnings, fines, suspension of privileges, towing, reimbursement of costs, or other remedies authorized by the governing documents.
- Each day a continuing violation exists may be considered a separate violation.
- The Board of Governors may adopt enforcement, hearing, and appeal procedures.

## Property Standards

- Owners are responsible for informing renters, guests, and occupants of all POALH rules.
- Signs are prohibited except for safety, sale/rental, or Board of Governors-approved purposes.
- Commercial activities require approval as provided by the Charter and Bylaws.
- Solicitation on Association property requires prior Board of Governors approval.
- No vehicle, trailer, camper, tent, or temporary structure may be used as a dwelling.
- No fence may completely enclose a lot boundary unless otherwise authorized.
- The space between foundation piers and exterior walls shall be enclosed with lattice or other material extending from the sill to a point not more than three inches above finished grade.

## Environmental Protection

- Drainage systems and drainage ditches shall not be altered without Board of Governors authorization.
- No trimming, cutting, or altering vegetation on POALH property without Board of Governors approval.
- All wells and septic systems shall comply with applicable laws and regulations.
- Gray-water discharge into dry wells, waterways, or the lake watershed is prohibited.
- Dumping leaves, grass, brush, or other materials on beaches, wetlands, shorelines, or any Association property is prohibited.
- Feeding geese, ducks, or other waterfowl is prohibited.
- Fireworks of any kind are prohibited on Association property.
- The use of whistles, horns, bells, or similar devices in a manner that disturbs neighboring residents is prohibited, except in emergencies. The use of air guns, air rifles, slingshots, or similar projectile devices is prohibited on Association property.
- Open fires on Association property are prohibited unless specifically authorized by the Board of Governors and all applicable governmental rules and/or permits have been obtained.

## Animals

- Animals must be under control, leashed, and may not roam at large.
- Owners must immediately remove animal waste.
- Animals are prohibited on beaches except in designated areas, service-animal exceptions, and Board of Governors-approved geese abatement activities.
- Animals shall not create repeated noise disturbances, including barking, howling, or similar sounds, that result in complaints from neighboring property owners.

## Vehicles and Parking

- Vehicles parked on Association property must display required permits or guest passes.
- Parking permit decals shall be affixed to the lower passenger-side corner of the windshield and must be clearly visible from outside the vehicle.
- Unauthorized vehicles may be ticketed or towed at the owner's expense.
- No overnight parking in Association parking lots from April 1 through October 31 unless authorized by the Board of Governors.
- Vehicles must be parked only in designated areas.

## Watercraft and Boat Storage

- Watercraft stored on Association property and according to the State Law, Public Act 26-60, must be identified with owner contact information, including the street address displayed on the vessel or the vessel may be subject to removal.
- Boats and watercraft may be stored, docked, or moored only in locations approved by the Board of Governors.
- All boat rack spaces and moorings shall be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis unless otherwise designated by the Board of Governors.
- Combustion-engine-powered vessels are prohibited.
- Watercraft must operate at "Slow-No-Wake" speeds at all times which is generally considered to be about 6 MPH or less under Connecticut boating regulations.
- No vessel may operate within 100 feet of an Association swim raft or swim area.
- Boats may be placed on racks no sooner than March 15.
- Lighter watercraft shall be stored on upper rack levels unless otherwise authorized by the Board of Governors.
- All boats and watercraft shall be removed from the rack no later than 12:00 a.m. on the second Friday of November.
- Any vessel remaining on Association property after the second Friday in November will be considered abandoned and moved to Second Beach. POALH will issue an email notice to members identifying the vessel as 'free for the taking' on a first-come, first-served basis. Any vessel remaining unclaimed 30 days after the email notice may be disposed of by the Board of Governors.

## **Beach and Recreation Rules**

- Personal property may not be left on Association beaches overnight.
- Children must be supervised at all times.
- Infants entering the water must wear approved swim diapers.
- No fishing from beaches or within 25 feet of designated swim areas.
- No vehicles on beaches.
- No glass containers on beaches or in the pavilion.
- Skateboarding, rollerblading, scootering, and bicycle riding are prohibited within the pavilion and pavilion access areas.
- All trash must be removed and properly disposed of.
- Association recreational facilities are for members, authorized renters, and their guests.
- Beaches and recreational facilities are closed from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., with exception to POALH sponsored events.
- Tennis/Pickleball courts are open from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Court use is prohibited during weather conditions that could damage the courts or create unsafe conditions.