



## Town Beach, Lake Mascuppic, Maplewood Avenue

### Rules and Regulations

1. The Town Beach on Lake Mascuppic will be open from 8:30 AM to dusk weekday and weekends.
2. Use of beach facilities by any child under 17 years of age is prohibited, except when such child is under the supervision of a person at least 18 years of age. Any parent, guardian or person having custody or control or providing supervision of any child under the age of 17 years who knowingly leaves such a child unsupervised will be in violation of Town beach policy.
3. **Swimming.** The Town Beach on Lake Mascuppic will be open from April 15 to September 30 for swimming. All persons swimming or bathing at the Town Beach do so at their own risk (see "Limitation of Liability" below). Use of Mascuppic Beach is at your own risk. No Lifeguards are on duty.
4. Swimming at the beach shall be confined to those areas marked by roped buoys, designated by the Parks & Recreation Committee and its agents, and swimming outside those areas, including the emergency boat launch area is prohibited. The absence of buoy markers indicates the beach is closed for swimming.
5. Swimming to or from a boat onto or from the Town beach is prohibited.
6. **Boating.** No vessels of any kind (motorboats, sailboats, sailboards, kayaks, jet skis, etc.) are permitted within 200 feet of the beach. Parking of trailers is prohibited in the Town beach lot.
7. **Fishing.** No fishing is allowed from the beach or emergency boating launch area.
8. **Playground Equipment.** For their safety, minor children when using playground equipment are to be monitored. Encourage sharing of equipment to allow all children to play.
9. All beach users must comply with all Federal/State and local law, terms, conditions, policies and the request or instructions of the patrolling Harbormaster or police officers or other authorized agency or department.
10. Drinking of alcoholic beverages is prohibited
11. Smoking is prohibited.
12. Littering is prohibited. Please use trash receptacles. Any items brought onto the beach must be disposed of. All beach refuse must be disposed of properly by the beach user. Store and discard trash properly, especially food scraps.
13. Glass containers are not allowed
14. Cooking, bonfires and campfires are prohibited.
15. Loitering in the beach parking lot is prohibited. No overnight parking.
16. Dogs and other animals are not allowed in the lake or on the beach.
17. Please observe all rules. The Town reserves the right to refuse admittance to or eject from the beach premises, any persons failing to comply with any regulation.

## **Limitation of Liability**

1. Pursuant to G.L. c.21,s.17C(a), the Town of Tyngsborough shall not be liable for personal injuries or property damage sustained by members of the public including, without limitation, minors at the Town Beach on Lake Mascuppic
2. Entry upon or use of Town beach on Lake Mascuppic by any person shall be at his own risk and such entry or use shall constitute a release by such person of the Town of Tyngsborough from any and all claims for personal injury or property damage sustained on Mascuppic Beach, and such release shall be binding upon such person, his personal representative, and all persons claiming through or under him.

### **Chapter 21: Section 17C. Public use of land for recreational, conservation, scientific educational and other purposes; landowner's liability limited; exception**

Section 17C. (a) Any person having an interest in land including the structures, buildings, and equipment attached to the land, including without limitation, wetlands, rivers, streams, ponds, lakes, and other bodies of water, who lawfully permits the public to use such land for recreational, conservation, scientific, educational, environmental, ecological, research, religious, or charitable purposes without imposing a charge or fee therefor, or who leases such land for said purposes to the commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof or to any nonprofit corporation, trust or association, shall not be liable for personal injuries or property damage sustained by such members of the public, including without limitation a minor, while on said land in the absence of wilful, wanton, or reckless conduct by such person. Such permission shall not confer upon any member of the public using said land, including without limitation a minor, the status of an invitee or licensee to whom any duty would be owed by said person.

(b) The liability of any person who imposes a charge or fee for the use of his land by the public for the purposes described in subsection (a) shall not be limited by any provision of this section. The term "person" as used in this section shall be deemed to include the person having an interest in the land, his agent, manager, or licensee and shall include without limitation, any governmental body, agency or instrumentality, nonprofit corporation, trust or association, and any director, officer, trustee, member, employee or agent thereof. A contribution or other voluntary payment not required to be made to use such land shall not be considered a charge or fee within the meaning of this section.

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