

## CHAPTER 5

### BEACH AND LAKE REGULATIONS

#### Beaches and Lake (Amend. Ord. 16-05-03; 21-04-01)

**Section 5-100 Definitions. (Amend. Ord. 10-04-01)** For purposes of this Chapter, unless provided otherwise herein, the following terms, phrases, words, and their derivations shall have the meaning given herein:

**Section 5-100(a) Animal (Amend Ord. 10-04-01)** – An animal includes any domesticated, farm, wild animal or pet of any kind.

**Section 5-100(b) Appurtenances (Amend Ord. 10-04-01)** – Any and all accessory facility or features at a beach, including but not limited to, bathhouse, boat, boat ramp, boat slips, dock, fencing, pier, playground equipment, slide, storage shed.

**Section 5-100(c) Beach/Beach Property (Amend Ord. 10-04-01)** – Any body of water, which is modified, improved, constructed, or installed for the purpose of public swimming, recreational bathing, wading, floating, or diving but does not include pools at private residences intended only for the use of the owner and guests. A beach is comprised of all public property associated with or located at the beach including, but not limited to, its shores, equipment, buildings, and any and all appurtenances.

**Section 5-100(d) Guest Pass (Amend Ord. 12-04-02)** - A punch card that may be purchased by Village Residents and Oakwood Hills' Real Estate Owners. The cost of the Guest Pass shall be set out according to the Village Code and shall consist of a certain number of punches as may be set from time to time by the Village Board. Each time a number is punched on the card shall entitle one person to enter and use the beach, beach property and / or the lake on that same day. There shall be no refunds after a Guest Pass is purchased or for any unused numbers/punches on the card. The Guest Pass is good only in the season for which it has been purchased.

**Section 5-100(e) Lake (Amend Ord. 12-04-02)** – A body of water used for recreational purposes including but not limited to, swimming, wading, non-motorized boating and/or fishing.

**Section 5-100(f) Marine Craft (Amend Ord. 16-05-03)** – Any vessel or craft designed for use or travel on a body of water including boats and multi-person floatation devices and rafts without any external propulsion, moved solely by human power.

**Section 5-100(g) Motor or Motorized Vehicles (Amend Ord. 12-04-02)** – Any vehicle that is self-propelled or propelled by power derived from gas, diesel, battery, electric and other similar sources and that carries one or more persons whether or not it has been issued a title document,

license plate, or registration document. It does not include vehicles moved solely by human power or motorized wheel chairs.

**Section 5-100(h)(Amend. Ord. 12-04-02). Smoke or Smoking** – The carrying, smoking, burning, inhaling, or exhaling of any kind of lighted pipe, cigar, cigarette, hookah, weed, herbs, or any other lighted smoking equipment.

**Section 5-101(Amend. Ord. 16-05-03). Beach Hours.** No persons are permitted to remain on the North and/or South Beach property during the hours between 10:30 PM until 6:00 AM the following day. This restriction does not apply to persons who are engaged in fishing from said beach property. Lifeguards and beach personnel may be provided between the hours of 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Swimming is permitted only from Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through Monday of Labor Day weekend. When lifeguards are not present, no bathers fifteen (15) years and younger are allowed to enter the beach/beach property unless accompanied by a responsible person seventeen (17) years or older, or have written parental permission on file at the Village. No bathers under the age of ten (10) are permitted to enter without an adult. No persons may enter the water alone or swim alone when lifeguards are not present.

**Section 5-102(Amend. Ord. 10-04-01) Fees.** The payment of either a daily fee or an annual beach/lake fee shall be paid by persons using the beach/lake properties for recreational purposes. During the period from Memorial Day to the following Memorial Day of the next year, the following fees shall apply for admission to the beach and lake properties for recreational purposes including, but not limited to swimming, sunbathing, boating, launching of a non-motorized boat, floatation devices, fishing and/or picnic purposes.

**Section 5-102(A)(Amend. Ord. 12-04-02) Annual Lake/Beach Admission Fees  
(Village Residents and Real Estate Owners)**

The following Annual Beach/Lake Admission packages are available for purchase by the head of the household or lot owner for the use by their immediate families. Beach/Lake tags may be used interchangeably among family members of the same age group (tag color). However, it is not permitted for a younger family member to use Beach/Lake Tags sold for use by an older family member.

**Annual Beach/Lake Tags**

**(Village Residents and Oakwood Hills' Real Estate Owners)**

- Family Package A \$28.00  
Two Beach/Lake tags and one Guest Pass.
  
- Family Package B \$33.00  
Beach/Lake tags for each family member living at the address, up to six people.  
(Additional Beach/Lake Tags may be purchased separately.)
  
- Family Package C \$38.00  
Beach/Lake tags for each family member living at the address, up to six people and one Guest Pass. (Additional Beach/Lake Tags may be purchased separately.)

- Annual Individual Beach/Lake Tag \$15.00
- Annual Senior Beach/Lake Tag \$8.00
- Replacement Season Guest Pass \$5.00
- Additional Beach/Lake Tag \$5.00

**Section 5-102(B) (Amend. Ord. 21-04-01). Annual Beach/Lake Admission Fees  
(Individuals Not Residing in the Village and not Owning Real Estate in the Village)**

**\*\*TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED PENDING COMMENCEMENT OF PHASE 5 \*\***

The following Annual Beach/Lake Admission packages are available for purchase for the head of the household or lot owner for the use by their immediate families. Beach/Lake Tags may be used interchangeably among family members of the same age group (tag color). However, it is not permitted for a younger family member to use Beach/Lake Tags for use by an older family member.

**Annual Beach/Lake Tags**

**(Individuals Not Residing in the Village and Not Owning Real Estate in the Village)**

- ~~Family Package A \$100.00  
Two Beach/Lake tags of any type and one Guest Pass.~~
- ~~Family Package B \$120.00  
Beach/Lake tags for each family member living at the address up to six people.  
(Additional Beach/Lake tags may be purchased separately)~~
- ~~Family Package C \$125.00  
Beach/Lake tags for each family member living at the address up to six people  
and one Guest Pass.~~
- ~~Annual Individual Beach/Lake Tag \$50.00~~
- ~~Annual Senior Beach/Lake Tag \$15.00~~
- ~~Replacement Season Guest Pass \$15.00  
(A Guest Pass may only be purchased by a Beach/Lake Tag holder)~~
- ~~Additional Beach/Lake Tag \$15.00~~

**Section 5-102(C) (Amend. Ord. 21-04-01) – Daily Beach/Lake Admission Fees  
(For persons Without Annual Beach/Lake Tags or Guest Passes)**

**For Village Residents**

- Persons 16 years of age or older \$5.00/day
- Persons 4 to 16 years of age \$1.00/day
- Children under 4 years of age (must be accompanied by adult) Free

**\*For Non-Village Residents**

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- ~~Persons 16 years of age or older \$15.00/day~~
- ~~Persons 4 to 15 years of age \$10.00/day~~
- ~~Children under 4 years of age (must be accompanied by adult) FREE~~

**Section 5-102(D)(Amend. Ord. 16-05-03) – Penalty.** Every person found guilty of violating Section 5-102 of this Chapter shall be required to pay a fine of not less than Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00). Each day any violation of this provision of this Chapter shall continue shall constitute a separate offense.

**Section 5-103. Picnicking.** Picnicking is prohibited on the sandy portions of both the North and South Beaches; however, picnicking is permitted on the grassy portions of said beach premises.

**Section 5-104. Possession of Glass Containers.** The possession of glass containers on either the North or South Beach premises, or on the lake, is prohibited.

**Section 5-105. (Amend. Ord. 16-05-03) Fires.** Fires are prohibited on North Beach and South Beach premises at all times, with the exception of a fire that is used for grilling for the sole purpose of cooking food. Fires used for the grilling and cooking of food may occur in the grills that are provided by the Village in the grilling area at the beach or in a grill brought to the beach provided that it is located only in the grassy picnic area and not near the sand or playground areas and provided that all burnt charcoal is extinguished and disposed of properly in the cement receptacles provided by the Village in the grilling area.

**Section 5-106. Tents Prohibited.** No person, firm, or corporation shall erect any tent upon any of the public beaches or grounds located in the Village.

**Section 5-107(Amend. Ord. 10-04-01). Animals on Village Beaches Prohibited.** It is unlawful to bring any animal onto a Village beach property at any time with the exception of guide dogs for the visually impaired or disabled.

**Section 5-108(Amend. Ord. 16-05-03). Marine Craft with Motors Prohibited.** The operation of an electric, gasoline or other type of marine motor, or any other Motorized Vehicle on Silver Lake is prohibited with the exception of authorized emergency marine motors or marine motors

required for maintenance, monitoring, or testing related to a beach property or Silver Lake, or with permission from an authorized Village of Oakwood Hills' representative.

**Section 5-109(Amend. Ord. 10-04-01). Alcoholic Beverages Prohibited.** It shall be unlawful for any person to possess or consume any alcoholic beverage at a Village beach property, a municipal beach parking lot, on the water of Silver Lake, or on any public property, with the exception of at the Village of Oakwood Hills' Municipal Park provided a permit and special event liquor license has been issued by the Village Liquor Commissioner for the event at the Municipal Park.

**Section 5-110. Loitering and Boisterousness.** No person shall engage in loud, boisterous, threatening, abusive language, or engage in any disorderly conduct or behavior on the beaches.

**Section 5-111(Amend. Ord. 10-04-01). Motorized Vehicles on Lake.** It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle, vehicle propelled by human power or motorized wheelchair or like vehicles, on the frozen surface of Silver Lake, with the exception of authorized emergency vehicles or authorized vehicles required for maintenance, monitoring, testing related to a beach property or Silver Lake, or with permission from an authorized Village of Oakwood Hills' representative. This prohibition includes, but is not limited to, all-terrain vehicles, bicycles, go-kart, minibike, motorcycle, motor-driven scooter, motorized pedal-cycle, motorized skateboard, off-highway motorcycle, snowmobile and any wheeled scooter.

**Section 5-112. Fishing Regulations. (Amend. Ord. 16-05-03)**

A. All State of Illinois regulations apply when fishing within the Village of Oakwood Hills.

B. It shall be prohibited for any person to carry away or keep fish not in accordance with the following species and minimum size limits:

<b><u>Fish Species</u></b>	<b><u>Daily Limit</u></b>	<b><u>Minimum Size Requirements</u></b>
Bluegill, Redear Sunfish	15	Maximum of 5 over 8 inches
Carp	No limit—remove any caught from Lake	No minimum size
Channel Catfish	3	18 inch minimum
Crappie (White, Black or Hybrid)	6	5 under 12 inches 1 over 16 inches
Largemouth, Smallmouth Bass	1	18 inch minimum
Muskellunge, Tiger Muskie, Northern Pike	Closed - No Fish of this species may be taken	N/A
Walleye	1	18 inch minimum

Yellow Bass	No limit - Remove any caught from Lake	No minimum size
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C. Each angler is restricted to two (2) ice fishing lines. The use of treble hooks for live bait fishing is prohibited. Nothing in this Ordinance is in any way intended to supersede any regulatory provisions adopted by any other governmental agency with authority over fish or aquatic life including, but not limited to, the provisions of the Illinois Fish and Aquatic Life Code. It is the intention of the Village of Oakwood Hills that such regulations be read in harmony with the provisions of this Ordinance.

D. Intentionally deleted.

E. The President, by and with the advice and consent of the Board of Trustees, is authorized to appoint a Conservation Officer for the purposes of enforcing this Section.

F. No person, firm or corporation shall leave a fishing shack or tent unattended overnight.

G. The Village shall post at least one sign in a prominent location, and at any other location where access has been determined by common use, at the Lake advising that the Lake, pursuant to this Ordinance, has certain fishing regulations.

H. No fishing shall be permitted within the area set aside for bathing and swimming as marked by buoys.

**Section 5-113. (Amend. Ord. 12-04-02). Smoking Prohibited.** It shall be unlawful for any person to smoke at a Village Beach/Beach Property at any time.

**Section 5-114. (Amend. Ord. 12-04-02). Smoking Violations.** A person who smokes in an area where smoking is prohibited under this Chapter shall be fined in an amount that is one hundred dollars (\$100) for a first offense and two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) for each subsequent offense. Each day any violation of this provision of this Chapter shall continue shall constitute a separate offense. The penalty provisions for smoking violations shall at all times be in accordance with Illinois State law, as may be amended from time to time.

**Section 5-115. (Amend. Ord. 16-05-03) Restrictions within Buoy Area.** No Marine Craft of any kind shall be permitted inside the area set aside for bathing and swimming as marked by buoys. No multi person rafts or flotation devices shall be permitted inside the area set aside for bathing and swimming as marked by the buoys.

## BOAT STORAGE

**Section 5-201 (A). (Amend. Ord 16-05-03) Boat Storage Prohibited** from November 2 through March 31 at North Beach. No boat may be stored at, or remain upon, the property within

the Village commonly known as the North Beach during the period from November 2 of any calendar year until March 31 of the following calendar year.

**Section 5-201(B). (Amend. Ord. 16-05-03; 21-04-01) Boat Storage Fees.** A boat storage license shall be issued by the Village Clerk upon the receipt of a duly executed application on the form supplied by the Village Clerk and the payment of an annual license fee as follows:

**\*\*SALE OF BOAT STORAGE LICENSE TO NON-RESIDENTS AND NON-LOT OWNERS, OF ANY AGE, TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED PENDING COMMENCEMENT OF PHASE 5 \*\***

1. Village lot owners and Village residents	\$35.00
2. <del>Non-residents and non-lot owners</del>	<del>\$85.00</del>

The annual fee for persons 65 years of age or over shall be as follows:

1. Village lot owners and Village residents	\$30.00
2. <del>Non-resident and non-lot owners</del>	<del>\$70.00</del>

**Section 5-201(C)(Amend. Ord. 16-05-03). Boat storage License includes Launching a Non-Motorized Boat from Beach/Lake Property.** A boat storage licensee with a valid boat storage license is authorized to launch the licensee's non-motorized boat from the beach/lake/pier property without the need to purchase a beach/lake tag. However, a boat storage licensee must purchase a beach tag (either annual or daily tag) for admission to the beach property. Boats may only be launched at North Beach and within the designated launch area.

**Section 5-203. Terms and Conditions of License. (Amend. Ord. 16-05-03)** The aforesaid boat storage licenses shall be issued only upon the following terms and conditions.

**A. Each boat storage license** issued hereunder shall be assigned a number by the Village Clerk which shall permit the licensee to store the licensed boat only in the assigned numbered space.

**B. Each boat license hereunder** shall be locked to the chain provided at the assigned numbered space.

**C. No family shall be eligible** to make application hereunder for more than one boat storage license during any calendar year.

**D. Each boat storage license** issued hereunder shall expire at 11:59 p.m. of the 1st of November of the year for which it was issued.

**E. No boat storage license** issued hereunder shall be transferable from one boat to another unless the owner of both such boats is the original licensed applicant; if the ownership of a boat licensed hereunder is transferred during the life of the license, the

said license may also be transferred to the new boat owner provided, however, that such new boat owner makes an application for said license on the form provided by the Village Clerk.

**F. The boat storage licensee** shall release the Village from any and all responsibility and liability for securing and protecting the boat and its equipment and contents thereof from theft, loss or damage during the time that said boat is stored at the North Beach.

**G. The boat storage licensee shall indemnify and hold the Village harmless** from any and all claims, actions, suits, proceedings, costs, expenses, damages and liabilities, including but not limited to attorney's fees, arising out of or relating to the condition of the licensed boat or to its storage on the aforesaid North Beach premises.

**H. The licensee shall authorize** the Village to treat the licensed boat as having been abandoned and to dispose of the licensed boat in any manner the Village may determine, without any notice, compensation or other payment to the licensee, if the licensed boat is not removed from the North Beach premises by 11:59 p.m. on November 1st of the year for which the boat storage license is issued, or if the boat storage license issued hereunder is revoked pursuant to Section 5-204.

**Section 5-204. Revocation of License.** Any boat storage license issued hereunder may be revoked by the Village Board of Trustees if the condition of the boat is or becomes unsafe, or if any Village ordinance governing the use of the lake or of the North Beach has been violated by the licensee or by any other person while using the licensee's boat with the licensee's permission.

**Section 5-205(Amend. Ord. 10-04-01). Penalty.** Whenever in Chapter 5 of this Code any act is prohibited or is made or declared to be made unlawful for a misdemeanor, or whenever in such Code the doing of any act is required or the failure or do any act is declared to be unlawful or a misdemeanor, where no specific penalty is otherwise provided therefore, the violation of any such provision of the Code shall be punished by a fine of not less than Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00), nor more than Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00).



**Village of Oakwood Hills, Illinois**  
**Boat Storage Permit**

Boat Owner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Owner's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Boat: \_\_\_\_\_ Illinois Registration # \_\_\_\_\_

Hull I.D. # \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Storage Permit Number  
And Space Assigned: \_\_\_\_\_

**Permit Conditions**

1. The above Boat Storage Permit is not transferable and must be affixed to and be displayed on the bow of the boat.
2. This permit entitles the above owner to store the described boat, at his sole risk in the above numbered space at the North Beach of Silver Lake in the Village of Oakwood Hills, at any time during the period from April 1 to November 1 of the year in which the permit is issued. **Boats will not be allowed on the grassy area.**
3. The owner releases the Village of Oakwood Hills from any and all responsibility and liability for securing and/or protecting the boat and its equipment and contents from theft, loss or damage.
4. If the above described boat is not removed from the North Beach premises by 11:59 p.m. on November 1 of the year in which the permit is issued, the owner hereby authorizes the Village to treat the boat as having been abandoned by the owner and to dispose of the boat in any manner the Village may determine, without any notice, compensation or other payment to the owner.
5. The owner agrees to indemnify and hold the Village of Oakwood Hills harmless from any and all claims, actions, suits, proceedings, costs, expenses, damage and liabilities, including attorney's fees, arising out or relating to the condition of the above described boat or to its storage on the aforesaid North Beach premises.

Owner's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Village Clerk \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD HILLS: APPLICATION FOR BEACH TAGS**

NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

PHONE.....

**NOTE: Written permission by parent or guardian is required** for a child between the ages of **10 to 15** to enter the Village of Oakwood Hills Beach Area or to swim, when a Lifeguard is present, and when:

1. The child is **not in the presence of a parent or guardian (OR)**
2. The child is **not in the presence of a parent or guardian and is accompanied by a responsible person** aged seventeen (17) years or older.

Said permission is subject to the responsible behavior of the child and Village of Oakwood Hills reserves the right to unilaterally revoke said permission.

**PERMISSION IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD HILLS TO ALLOW MY FOLLOWING CHILDREN, OR WARDS, TO ENTER THE BEACH AREA OR SWIM WHEN A LIFEGUARD OR RESPONSIBLE PERSON 17 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER PRESENT.**

Signature of Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**TAG HOLDER(s) Immediate Family**

Name	Age	Relationship	CLERK'S DEPT.	
			Color	Number