

RDC Guest Information Manual

BOATING REGULATIONS & SAFETY ON THE WATER

BOATING is a central part of the RDC experience. To ensure everyone's safety there are many State and Camp rules that we all must follow. Below are RDC's Boating Rules and Regulations along with prominent state laws. We urge motorboat operators to review the complete N.H. State boating laws found in the booklet entitled "Boater's Guide" located in your guest manual or at either camp office.

- a. RDC PROHIBITS THE DOCKING AND USE OF BOATS WITH MOTORS ABOVE 25 HORSE POWER. RDC GUESTS ARE PROHIBITED FROM DOCKING OR MOORING BOATS WITH MOTORS ABOVE 25 HORSE POWER ELSEWHERE ON THE LAKE. VISITORS FROM OTHER PARTS OF THE LAKE OPERATING BOATS WITH MOTORS ABOVE 25 HORSE POWER MAY NOT DOCK OR PICK-UP AND DROP-OFF PASSENGERS WITHOUT PERMISSION OF THE MANAGEMENT.
- b. It is against NH state law to water ski or operate a motorboat at a speed greater than 6 mph (headway speed) within 150 feet of the shoreline, docks, swimmers, and other boats. Due to the intensive activity along our shores in the summer, RDC strongly recommends that guests observe a 300 feet (100 yard) limit for headway speed.
- c. RDC employees and guests should NOT participate in any form of high speed boating in Bennett Cove or in the vicinity of the Deephaven shoreline.
- d. The State of New Hampshire does not set an age limit for the operation of motorboats 25 horsepower or under. RDC, however, does not permit guest children under 12 years old to operate a motorboat unaccompanied by someone at least 18 years old. It is the responsibility of all adult RDC guests to ensure that their children of all ages know and understand these regulations.
- e. Do not exceed the maximum capacity of the boat.
- f. If the weather seems threatening please limit your boating activities and stay near the shoreline.
- g. All boats, canoes and kayaks must carry Coast Guard approved life preservers (one per person) of a size appropriate for the intended user.
- h. All powerboats must have a fire extinguisher and horn or whistle on board.
- i. All boats and canoes must operate "boating lights" if in use after dark. It is extremely dangerous and illegal to operate a boat after dark without boating lights. For your safety and the safety of others please use proper boating lights. Boat lights can be purchased or rented from either Camp office.

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- j. All "non-camp" boats must be registered at the office at check in.
- k. All power and sailboats must be registered with decals and numbers on the bow.
- l. To help stop the spread of obnoxious exotic aquatic weeds, anyone who brings their own boat to RDC must remove all aquatic weeds from their boat and trailer before launching into the lake; and before transporting to another water body.

Please operate your boats with care. CARELESS BOATING CAN BE DANGEROUS: There have been serious injuries resulting from careless boat operation on Squam. Please follow the rules. Boating can be:

DAMAGING: The drinking water quality of the Lake is threatened. The wave action of high speed boating causes shoreline erosion, disturbs people in sailboats, canoes and rowboats, and causes damage to boats attached to the docks.

DESTRUCTIVE: Wildlife habitat is threatened. The protection of loons has been an ongoing concern for the Lakes Region. High speed boating and persistent annoyance towards these birds are very dangerous to their survival.

Operating a boat while under the influence of alcohol is extremely dangerous and illegal. Please review the state rules for alcohol and boat operation. Remember to be a safe boater on Squam. Be aware of other boaters. Respect the surrounding environment, lake and wildlife. Do not pollute, disturb nests or use excessive speed on the lake. We greatly appreciate your cooperation.

ALL RDC GUESTS OPERATING A MOTORBOAT OR RENTING AN RDC WATERCRAFT OF ANY KIND MUST SIGN THE RDC BOATING AGREEMENT FORM AVAILABLE IN EITHER OFFICE OR FROM THE HARBORMASTER.

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CAMP BOAT & BICYCLE RENTALS

All rentals have limited availability. Weekly boat rentals may be reserved prior to your arrival. Weekly rentals that are cancelled after Thursday at noon prior to a Saturday arrival will be charged a one-day rental fee. Daily rentals may be requested upon arrival and will be provided if available. Daily boat rentals are not delivered after 3:30 p.m. Boats requested after 3:30 p.m. will be delivered the following morning if available.

Visit the RDC website (www.rdcsquam.com) to view photos and descriptions of RDC boats.

Boats	1 Day	2 Day	3 Day	1 Week
Canoes & Kayaks	\$40	\$70	\$100	\$130
2 HP Honda Motors	\$40	\$70	\$100	\$130
Row Boats	\$45	\$80	\$115	\$150
Row Canoes	\$45	\$80	\$115	\$150
Sunfish	\$60	\$105	\$150	\$195
Hydro Bikes - Single	\$55	\$95	\$135	\$175
Hydro Bikes - Tandem	\$75	\$130	\$185	\$240
Bicycles	\$20	\$40	\$60	\$85

Contact either the Rockywold or Deephaven Office for boat requests. All boats will be brought directly to your dock. If you need additional paddles, life preservers or seat cushions please advise the office. Bicycle rentals are available at Zodiac (map #47) during their posted hours of operation. On Saturday, the normal check-in day, Zodiac opens at 7 p.m.

OUTSIDE BOAT RENTALS: Riveredge Marina 968-4411
Squam Boats: 968-7721
Kimbell Marina 968-7182

BOAT GAS & OIL PRICES: Gas (89 octane): \$3.00 per gallon
Gas and Oil Mix: \$3.35 per gallon

Boat gas and oil are available at the Rockywold main dock Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and Sunday from 12:00 p.m. to 12:30 p.m. Boat gas is not available on Saturdays. Please fill up on Friday if you will be using your motorboat on Saturday. Your account will be charged accordingly.